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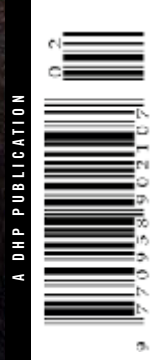
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February 2015

A new year brings with it new challenges and opportunities, but what does this mean for your fishing? If you're like me and you want to do, or achieve, something then you don't need an event like the turning of a new year to give you the inspiration to begin.

However, it's a fact that our seasonal sport presents different challenges than those in summer while the water is at its coldest. It's also true that many of the year's most accessible big events, such as the big-money ones, are held throughout spring, summer and autumn. With that in mind my question to you is – what lies ahead in your 'to do' book of angling challenges for 2015?

Even as an avid match angler you might set yourself a quest to catch a big river carp, just like Match Fishing assistant editor Joe Carass did last year. His strategy is ongoing and is something he gets very little time to put towards, but nonetheless it's a challenge.

Maybe it's a more match-oriented ambition that you'd like to fulfil; sure we'd all like to set the somewhat unrealistically achievable target of: "To be as good as Steve Ringer, Des Shipp or Will Reason by the end of the year" but the

reality, however, is likely to be somewhat different for most. Whether it's trying to top your club's league table, or simply aiming to achieve more in open matches, it's good to have some clear goals.

Let's remember that this is a magazine read by people with many differing angling abilities, from those who get the opportunity to get out only occasionally to those who are totally obsessive, twice-a-week match attendees. Therefore the possibility of someday being as good as the aforementioned stars is within reach of some of you.

The key ingredient, though, is enjoyment – you've got to enjoy what you're doing to continually improve. It's all too easy to become stuck in a rut, attending the same matches, fishing pegs that often look the same for fish that you've (probably) caught before! Spice things up and throw a curve ball into your angling. Try a different discipline of angling or simply ask those around you more questions; you'll be amazed at what you learn.

Whatever your target, aim to get the most from your season. If you can come away from the bankside having learnt a lesson each time – and I don't mean a lesson like "I should have stayed in bed rather than fish here" – then you're on the right tracks.

Enjoy your angling month and year ahead.

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Despite what many believe, Andy spends a lot of his time fishing natural waters.

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ANDY POWER
Age: 25
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In the first part of his new series, Drennan Knockout Cup Champion **Andy Power** explains why a positive mindset is essential to becoming a regular winner.

With Andy Power

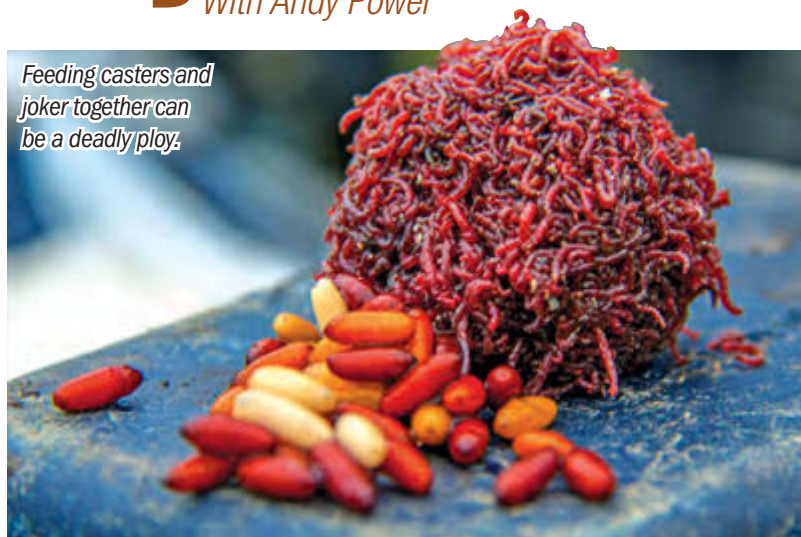
Winning the Drennan Knockout Cup in 2014 was one of my biggest achievements. As an angler who has won the Maver Match This Final and the UK Champs, winning something such as the Drennan just adds another dimension to my CV.

From the outside looking in, it probably appears that I spend all of my time fishing carp matches on commercial waters. A lot of my big wins

have come on commercials and I can see why you could think that, but the reality is that most of my 'day to day' fishing is done on natural waters.

I fish for Preston Innovations Thatchers, a brilliant team in the southwest and the leagues that the team fish all offer great fishing. Venues such as the Bristol Avon, River Huntspill and the Kennet & Avon Canal get most of my attention throughout the year.

Feeding casters and joker together can be a deadly ploy.



ALL-ROUNDERS

This is probably why I have always wanted to win the Drennan, to show that my fishing isn't all about carp. To do well in this competition, you need to be a good all-rounder and it is no surprise that the same few faces progress each and every year. Anglers such as Rob Wootton, Ian Didcote, Michael Buchwalder, Gary Miller and Simon Willsmore seem to make it to the latter stages every time. These are all top anglers and to be able to compete and win at that level is brilliant, and something I am immensely proud of.

NATURAL-BORN WINNER

I spend an awful lot of time thinking about how I am going to approach a match. I like to win things and that generally means finding a way to fish positively that will give me a chance to win the match. Obviously in an event like the Drennan, qualifying is what matters,



Andy uses size 18 hooks for castor work.



Slim, pencil-style floats for bread fishing; light, delicate affairs for casters.

but as a rule I always fish to win!

It doesn't matter what method I am fishing, I will always try and do things my own way. Copying other anglers is always a cautious idea; you probably don't understand why they are doing certain things and you will always be behind them if that is how you are going to approach your fishing. Instead, I find out what is working and then give it my own twist.

CONFIDENCE IS KING

This is where time on the bank pays off. I am fortunate in that I go fishing an awful lot. Being in tune with venues plays a big part in being successful, as does confidence, and this comes with catching fish. You can read about fishing or watch videos as much as you like, but there is no substitute for actual on-the-bank experience. It makes you sharper and decision-making becomes second nature.

Also, because you are fishing a lot, luck seems to follow you. By this I mean the drawbag tends to be kinder to you when you're on a roll. You may not draw better, but you definitely make more of the pegs that you do get.



Andy uses a tiny crow's foot and bead connection as it is so light.

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

I like to practise methods and approaches too. I always approach a method in my own way, although to the untrained eye my tactics may appear the same as everyone else's. A trained eye, though, will usually find a subtle tweak!

Today I have come to the Kennet & Avon Canal. This venue is used a lot in our winter leagues and is somewhere that I love fishing. It is without doubt one of the best canals in the country and I would expect to catch plenty of fish. In fact, just two days before this feature was shot, I came second in a winter league here.

BREAD HEAVEN

Breadpunch is easily the best thing to start on here. Nine times out of 10 you will get off to a rapid start, but it is all about making the most of this window of bites. To win, you are likely to need a skimmer or two as well as some roach, so how I fish reflects this. Too many anglers are happy to just catch small fish on bread,



Worms are must-haves on any canal.

but the reality is that it's a great bait for quality fish too.

I have kicked the swim off with a big pot of liquidised bread. The swim is only three feet deep and I can just make out the outline of the bread on the bottom at five metres. Many anglers would see the clarity and the depth and instantly rein their feeding in, but I would rather feed positively.

Rigs are positive too. A 0.6g float wouldn't be out of place in eight



Bonus perch are always possible.

feet of water but I find it is brilliant in this shallow water. I want to get my hook bait in and fishing as quickly as possible and the heavy float allows me to do that. A No5 elastic is also used to allow me to swing fish that many anglers would have to net, while also allowing me to get the skimmers in with minimal fuss.

The same goes for punch size. There is no need for small punches in my book and a 6mm is as small as I go! A 7mm will be my opening gambit – a brilliant skimmer catcher. I need skimmers to win, so why not use the size that will catch them? A 6mm is better for roach, though, and I will make the switch after a short look on the 7mm.

ATTENTION TO DETAIL

Attention to detail is key to this game in my eyes. Fair enough, small tweaks may not make a big difference, but if every little thing you do different gives you a one per cent advantage, then

they all add up and give you a significant edge.

Bread choice is what is being put under scrutiny here. Warburtons is excellent for feed, and as a hook bait for roach it is unrivalled. For skimmers, though, you can't beat Brace's thick-sliced bread. This stuff swells up differently to Warburtons and becomes almost quite slimy. I believe the skimmers prefer this so will always carry the two.

THINK BIG

I am going to feed three other lines today. Two across in three feet of water and one at 13 metres to my left down the track. I have some bloodworm and joker with me today, and I'm in no doubt that should I feed and fish this across these three lines I will be able to catch a roach most chucks.

As I have said before, though, weights of roach will win you sections but they generally won't win you the match, so I have set about feeding these swims a little

differently to the norm in the hope of catching some bigger fish.

There are plenty of big perch and skimmers to target in these venues so I am going to gear up my lines to hopefully catch a few of them. The track swim that I have positioned at 13 metres to my left is being fed with some finely chopped lobworms, casters and just a tiny nugget of joker.

The lines across are going to be for fishing the caster so I will feed a nice palmful of casters here, but on one line I will also add a few finely chopped worms whereas the other will be complemented with a small ball of joker.

My joker feed is relatively simple; I want to feed it raw so I have simply given it a

fine covering of grey leam and a mist of water. This allows me to produce small balls that will hold together just long enough to reach the bottom.

MAKE THE MOST OF IT

Shallow, narrow canals go hand in hand with light elastics and tiny hooks and you could easily get drawn



Caster roach will always come along later in the day.



A late run of perch boosted Andy's weight.

down this path. To be honest, though, this isn't for me. Your catching spells on here may only be short so you need the kit on to get the fish out of your peg quickly. For example, a No5 Original Slip is my choice for the bread swim. This allows me to swing a load of the roach that I catch while also being more than geared up for the skimmers. A No2 or a No3 might be a 'nicer' elastic, but I want to make the most of the short catching spell at the start, so that means a No5.

A FLYING START

I've kicked the swim off by feeding the punch line first and then the other three swims. This slight delay ensures that there will be

a few fish on the bread by the time I am ready to start fishing.

As expected, the sport is instant. By using the big punch I am catching some quality roach up to the 12oz mark but, more importantly, I am catching a raft of chunky 3oz fish. You can really put a weight together of this stamp of fish, the combination of the heavy rig and the No5 elastic means that I can really motor along.

The fishing is truly fantastic and after an hour I have about 6lb in the net! Unfortunately, the first boat of the day comes plodding through. In summer this is generally not such a problem but in

winter it can slow things up. Nevertheless, it's been a great catching spell.

WORK AT IT

With the boat pretty much grinding the bread line to a halt I decide to feed it again and try my other swims. The water is now heavily coloured so I'm waiting until the colour drops out before having a look on the worm track swim, my reasoning being that perch are sight feeders and generally it is better to target them in clear water.

Instead I try my two far caster swims. Even though

As things tick over I am catching quite well and simply by swapping between the two swims I am catching 3oz to 4oz roach most chucks in.

A light rig with strung-out shot is important for this kind of fishing, as many of the bites come as the bait is falling or when it has just settled.

PERCH FINISHER

With just 30 minutes of my session left it is time for a look on the worm line. I have topped the swim up on a few occasions. Simply finely chopping a worm or two and adding a few casters is enough of a top-up to hold perch in the area.

It must have worked because the final hour sees me land several nice perch in the 6oz bracket. They are not the expected 2lb bonuses that can pop up on this canal but nevertheless this final flurry adds a good 2lb to the net.



A stunning net of canal fish for the champ.



Andy is super fast when he's catching!

I have fed joker on these two lines, I don't want to fish bloodworm or joker over them. I believe that the activity of catching the small fish will upset and spook any of the bonus skimmers or bigger roach that may be hanging around, so I always use a bait such as a caster or a small piece of worm to scope out the bonus-fish possibility of the peg before resorting to bloodworm or joker hook baits.

HARD BUT REWARDING

The caster line is quite hard work, bites are hard to come by and it would be easy to resort to small fish. Slowly but surely, though, things are coming together. By carefully loose feeding a few casters over the two swims I am starting to get a good response.

DOUBLE FIGURES

I finish my practice session with well into double figures. This sort of weight would always win you some money on this canal.

The key has been to fish the right swims at the right times.

The punch swim was fantastic early and got me off to a flyer; the middle of the session is always going to be tricky, but by nurturing the two caster swims I kept a few fish coming.

The final *coup de grâce* was that last flurry of perch, which rounded off the session

nicely. By fishing positively and in a style to win, I've had a lovely day's sport. My approach was far from complicated, but importantly it gave me the chance of winning, which is what I am all about. **mf**



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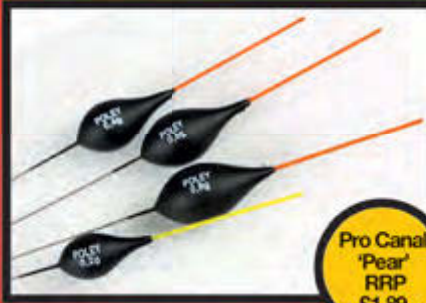
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Flooded, raging rivers, often seen with half a tree floating down, can be daunting propositions on the pole, but they needn't be. Obviously you need to think carefully about your baits and rigs, but being confident in your approach is just as important as anything else.

Darren Cox has encountered many rivers like this in match conditions, both when fishing for crucial team points and in individual-based events. We join him for a typical out-of-sorts-river session to see how he goes about conquering a venue that could easily beat many anglers.



A pole rest is an absolute must-have.

BUMP BAR

It's impossible to fish accurately and get the right presentation with a flat float without using a bump bar.

The one I have chosen today has indentations that will hold my pole firmly in place. This allows me to hold the rig absolutely stable in the flow. I can also work my rig up or down the swim using these indentations.

Also, this bump bar rotates, meaning I have a smooth bar on the other side. I use this to slowly inch the rig through the swim, which the fish can sometimes prefer.

I'm bracing the end of the pole in the pole cup/crook in the front of my seatbox and then have it placed between my legs so that I can use two hands and lock it solidly in position.

Just as you'd think nothing of leaving a feeder in for 15 to 20 minutes without moving it, the same applies to flat-float fishing, and bites on this setup often come out of the blue.

Search, find and catch 'em.



LOCATION

Where you would normally catch fish on a non-flooded river may not be the right place to fish in these conditions. I'm on the Warwickshire Avon at Stratford, on the Lido stretch, and this particular peg is normally in a big bay, but because the river is flooded the water is very still to my left, but really starting to pull away to my right with the flow.

I've sat where there is a crease in the water; I believe it's imperative to approach a line where there is some water movement in these types of conditions. There are likely to be plenty of fish where there is no flow, but feeding fish prefer to be where there is some flow. It's moving fish that will be eating and, as a consequence, they're the ones to target.

You need to look for, and fish in, one of two things: either straight, even-flowing water, or the very edge of fast-moving water, just before it slackens. This will determine the distance you need to fish.

Today that means I'm fishing at 11.5 metres on the pole; I wouldn't normally dream of fishing this close to me on a clear, winter river, but today's flow and conditions dictate that this is likely to be the best place.

On a flooded river you can fish close to you as long as you have the 'full' depth. By that I mean you can plumb up long on the pole to ascertain the river's deepest part and then remove sections, in effect coming closer to yourself, to find that same depth closer to you if it's on offer.

ELASTICS

Choosing the right one is very important. The key consideration is that you can be using very heavy rigs, so your elastic needs to allow you to set the hook and 'strike through' the weight. The elastic you choose isn't necessarily dictated by the size of the fish you're targeting.

That means today I'm using a Bazookarp hollow blue elastic (roughly equivalent in strength to a size 8 solid). I am looking to target quality fish here, but also it allows me to strike through the weight of the 6g flat float I'm using.

My standard, or more traditional 'running' river pole rig, is matched to a size 5 solid elastic – far lighter than that I'm using with the flat float as I'm only using a 1.5g rig, to work with the flow.



The right choice of elastic is paramount.



HOOKS

For me a Kamasan B560 is the right hook for the job when I'm flat-float fishing. It's thin enough in the wire to cater for smaller silver fish like roach, dace and chublets, but heavy enough to cope with bigger bream and hybrids.

As for sizes, I'm using a size 14 on my flat-float rig today – it's a very versatile size and lends itself to the sorts of larger baits I'll be using, like bunches of maggots, cocktails and half a lobworm. It's about being positive and sitting and waiting for better fish.

The standard round-bodied float rig uses a size 18 Sensas 3405 hook, which is perfect for the maggot hook baits I'll use.



ROUND-BODIED FLOAT

I've set up a rig using a rounder-bodied Garbolino DS24 in a 1.5g size, with a bulk and three droppers.

This can play a key part on flooded rivers if the flow calms down or as the water level rises or drops.

The flow can flatten or settle where you've fed – this rig can help you exploit the smaller fish if they seem to be in abundant numbers.



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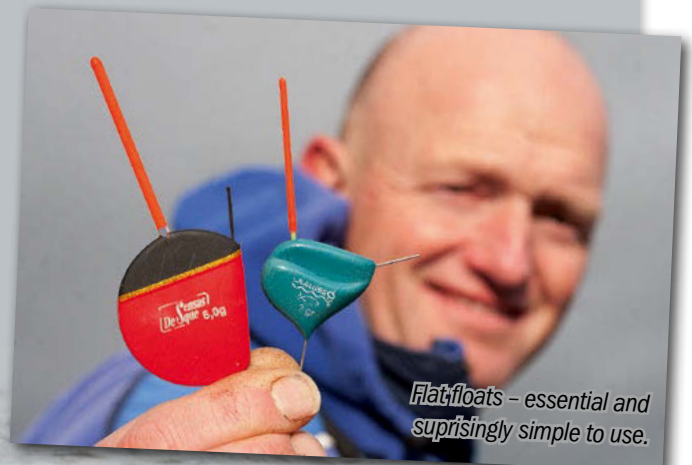
FLAT-FLOAT CHOICE

Today I'm mostly using a flat-float approach. I've fed a 'table' of bait and I want to present a larger, more static hook bait on top of that to appeal to bigger fish.

Flat floats are purpose-designed to be held still in the flow. I'm using a 6g model in around eight feet of water as the flow is changing all the time and I need to guarantee that my hook bait can be nailed still. It's much better to go heavier than you think you'll need, rather than struggle to hold a lighter rig still.

The flat float is shotted with a heavy bulk (5g olivette) and four No8 shot 150mm from my hook. These No8s sit on the riverbed and I'm looking either for proper 'under' bites, or pop-ups.

The length of line you use between your float tip and pole tip is crucial. I actually started today's session with around two feet and shortened it to 10 inches later in the session to give greater rig control. This shorter line allows me to nail the rig, and consequently the hook bait, right on top of the feed.



Flat floats – essential and surprisingly simple to use.



Wait, wait, wait...!



INITIAL FEED

I put 10 balls in to kick-start the session. The aim is to create a bed of feed, but the way I introduce them is the most important element. I put the pole in the rests and lay the rig in the swim, then throw seven balls around the pole tip – this helps to create an 'area' of feed as they won't all land on top of one another. Next I cup three balls in precisely, using a dedicated cupping kit. These balls are the only ones that contained the chopped worm. This gives the fish a strong scent to home in on the spot where my hook bait will be waiting.

Smaller fish coming into your peg actually help to 'work' your bait, which, in turn, attracts bigger fish.

HOOK BAITS

You have to emulate what you've put in your groundbait – there are bits of everything in there! It's all about finding out what the fish are eating. As a starting bait I'll often try a worm tipped with a pinkie, but then I'll try a whole selection of combinations if I'm not getting a response.

Bunches of maggots can be good if a worm doesn't work, but a lobworm tail (as it's the softer part of the worm) probably ranks as my favourite offering. Ring the changes and don't be afraid to tip a larger bait with a pinkie, or try double caster if there are some bigger roach around. They'll be grubbing around in coloured water, so a larger bait is less easily missed.

THE MIX

Your groundbait needs to be 50 per cent soil and 50 per cent groundbait. The soil is just natural molehill, which I collected for free. The groundbait element needs to be sweet and sticky – I'm using Bait-Tech Pro Natural Bream and Pro-Natural Dark as well as some Sensas Lake – a versatile all-round mix for this style of fishing as you're relying heavily on scent due to the very coloured water. This mix will go straight down in the fast-flowing water and sit on the riverbed, where I need it to be.

Feedwise, I've added plenty of small particles like hemp, dead maggots, dead pinkies and casters. I've also added quite a bit of chopped worm but, as I mentioned, I only feed these with the initial potted balls of feed.



TOP UP

I'm constantly topping up with balls of groundbait containing worms to ensure there's some bait in the swim. I use a dedicated cupping kit to introduce the top-up balls so that I can lay my float, and consequently the hook bait, right on top of the feed.

When there are skimmers in the swim you need to keep the bait going in. Today I've caught a bream and a hybrid straight after topping up with a ball of groundbait, which is no coincidence.

Incidentally, when I do feed, I position the pole in the rest the same as I would if I were fishing with a rig on the end and line up with a far-bank marker; in today's case that's a tree trunk. That way everything remains ultra-precise. **mf**



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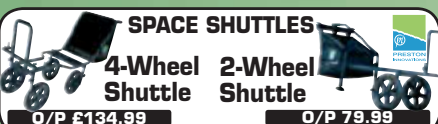
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Steve Ringer's TOP 10 TIPS For February

There are few better qualified to pass on essential winter tips for getting extra bites than Feeder World Champion **Steve Ringer**. Here are 10 of his best...

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STEVE RINGER
Age: 39
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Top Tip 1

The Method feeder can still be a deadly tactic in the cold, but more often the key is getting your choice of hook bait right.

Once the water goes clear then bright hi-viz hook baits take some beating and for me there is none better than three 6mm discs of punched bread.

The key to bread's success for me is twofold; firstly it's bright white in colour so it stands out, and secondly it fluffs up once it has been in the water a while, which makes it an easy bait for a carp to suck in.



Top Tip 2

When fishing the pole at this time of year I'm a big believer in trying to find the fish as opposed to waiting for them to come to me.

In cold water carp won't move very far to try and find bait so, if my initial lines fail to produce, rather than sitting there waiting for something to happen I will simply replumb and start new swims. This is something I will do until I get a response, which tells me I've found a pocket of fish. A little tip when adopting this technique is that less is more in terms of feeding, so don't go potting lots of bait all over the place!

Top Tip 3

When weights are low in matches then silvers tend to play a big part in my approach. Unless I have drawn the flier (which I rarely do) then a normal match would normally involve catching carp early and late but nothing in the middle. This is where targeting silvers can really play dividends. Rather than sitting there biteless wondering where all the carp have gone it's much better to be putting something in the net. If the carp average 3lb and you can put 12lb of silvers in the net in the middle three hours then you have the equivalent of four carp in terms of weight, so it's time well spent and come the weigh-in can be the difference between framing and coming nowhere.

Top Tip 4



Plumbing the depth is something a lot of anglers take for granted, but thoroughly plumbing a peg can be the difference between catching and not.

Whenever I arrive at a swim I always make a point of getting a good picture in my head of exactly what the bottom looks like in front of me. What I am actually looking for, though, are depth variations.

In the cold, anywhere that's slightly deeper than the surrounding area can hold fish. On some fisheries I have found holes that are no bigger than 18 inches wide yet they are full of fish, hence why plumbing up properly is so important.

Top Tip 5

The pellet cone can be a great cold-water tactic, but I always like to try and give my cone a boost in the form of a little squirt of Kiana Carp Goo Power Smoke.

I will make the cone in the normal manner out of wetted-down 2mm coarse pellets but in the middle I will add a tiny squirt of Goo. Then when the cone starts to break down it will give off not only a carp-attracting flavour but lots of cloud, too. In terms of what flavour to use I have two favourites and these are Tutti Frutti and Caramel Cloud. Remember, though, when applying, that less is more!

Top Tip 8

On the subject of F1s, they tend to move around a lot during the course of a match. Basically they are looking for a safe area, out of the way of poles and lines.

With this in mind a little trick I use is to identify an area of my swim and literally leave it alone for four hours. I don't feed it or even put a rig in there. As the match progresses F1s will move into this area as they feel it's safe to do so. Then, in the last hour of the match I will drop in and expect to catch immediately, and more often than not this is the case.

Top Tip 6

When it comes to feeding I always work on the basis that you can put it in but you can't take it out.

So, with this in mind, I like to kick off feeding very little, maybe six to eight pellets or just the same of corn.

That said, a little trick I often use in the cold is to feed a line well out of the way in a positive manner. Initially it will get half a large 250ml pot of bait and then every hour I will top it up with a third of a pot.

Sometimes in the last hour this line can come good; however, if it doesn't I have fed it well out of the way so there is no harm done to my main lines. In other words it's a throwaway line, but over the years it's one that has got me out of jail on more occasions than I care to remember.



Top Tip 7

One of my favourite winter haunts is Tunnel Barn Farm, targeting the venue's F1s, which, while plentiful, can take some catching. One day they want maggots but the next it's all pellet fishing, and this is the message that I'm trying to get across – make sure you give yourself at least two options in terms of bait choice when targeting this fickle species.

Normally, as a rule I will take both maggots and pellets with a view to starting on the latter. However, if after trying a couple of spots in different depths I have had no response on pellets then I will quickly turn the same lines into maggot swims and more often than not an instant response will result.



Top Tip 9

A stopwatch is perhaps the most important item I carry when I'm fishing either the Method feeder or straight lead, the reason being that I'm a massive believer in timing bites.

What I mean by this is that every time I cast out I start the watch and when the tip goes round I make a mental note. More often than not as the match progresses I'll start to notice a pattern whereby bites come between 10 and 12 minutes (for instance). I then use this information to make myself as efficient as possible for the rest of the match. For example, if bites are coming between 10 and 12 minutes there is no point recasting after eight! Equally, there might well be no point leaving the feeder/bomb out as long as 20 minutes.



Top Tip 10

While I'm not convinced that, when it comes to carp, light lines and small hooks produce more bites, what I do believe is that light floats will.

My thinking behind this is that, in the cold, carp spend a lot of their time 'off' rather than 'on' the bottom. They then only go down to feed.

This is where light floats with a strung-out shooting pattern score as they offer a slower fall of the hook bait. A carp will see the hook bait falling through the water and follow it down before taking it, whereas if the bait is 'bombed' straight to the bottom, unless there are already carp feeding down there, it will be ignored.

As an example of a light float I will think nothing of using a 4x12 pattern in eight feet of water, particularly when fishing baits like corn or pellets.



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PERFORMANCE OF THE MONTH 2015

Match Fishing reports back from two days of silver-fish heaven at Cornwall's premier angling holiday destination for the inaugural Drennan Rive Silverfish Festival. We crowned the winner of this event, **Cameron Hughes**, as our star performer of the month.

Darren Davies reaches
to net a bonus.

The Finalists:

#1: Des Shipp #2: Lee Wright #3: Craig Elkin
#4: Steve Ringer #5: Andy Geldart
#6: Kayleigh Smith #7: Cameron Cross
#8: Chris Cameron #9: Jamie Hughes
#10: Jamie Wilde #11: Cameron Hughes

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This winter saw the birth of a brand-new event; the Drennan Rive Silverfish Festival. This prestigious competition took place at the ever-impressive White Acres in Cornwall and saw a 78-strong field battling it out over two action-packed days.

The event was the brainchild of Drennan International's Gary Barclay after experiencing first-hand the success of a similar event held in France early last year. That event was also a collaborative affair backed by Rive and Drennan, with a great atmosphere and a friendly buzz about it from start to finish.

Gary had a similar aim for the English competition; to create a nice and friendly event with a refreshingly simple format: float only, a 13m pole limit, no bait limits and strictly silver fish only. The 13m pole limit ensured that everyone was on a level playing field and also kept the French contingent happy – 20 of whom had crossed the Channel and were eager to sample the very best silver-fish sport that England had to offer.

The last rule was perhaps the most difficult to agree upon but it was ultimately decided that no carp or F1s would count (or crucians, carassio, goldfish, fantails, shubunkins, gibel carp... you get the idea!). That inevitably proved a little tricky on certain pegs, as the unseasonably mild winter saw the carp and F1s feeding with abandon. In fact, there were possibly more of those pesky carp hooked than many people ever get to see in spring and summer! It also made you realise just how easy it could be to get fish up to double figures out on light gear intended for silvers.

The good thing was that there were also plenty of roach and skimmers to be caught throughout. With six-peg sections spread across Pollawyn, Jennys,

Sycamore, Python, Twin Oaks and Nelsons the sport was surprisingly varied. There is absolutely no need for bloodworm at a place like White Acres, so the dominant baits were, perhaps unsurprisingly, worms, maggots, pinkies and casters. How to feed them, however, was the subject of much debate.

Casters on their own worked extremely well for the roach when loose fed to get the fish competing up in the water and were responsible for plenty of double-figure weights.

Chopped worm was another well-used ploy, particularly for the skimmers, but you had to be extremely careful how you fed it.

Many anglers opted to feed neat worm, some in sweet groundbait, while others brave (or

maybe foolish?) enough risked feeding it with fishmeal, then prayed it wouldn't attract

too many of those meddlesome carp and F1s!

On lakes like Twin Oaks it unfortunately became a case of ploughing through up to 100lb of carp to potentially catch just 10lb of silvers. Thankfully most of the other lakes were less problematic, so an angler's lovingly tied hooklength wallet could breathe a sigh of relief!

There were some really notable catches each day. Day One saw fishery manager and former Starlets team man Clint Elliott show everyone who's boss on Python 15 with a fine 42lb 7oz catch of bream and skimmers, caught mostly in the last hour. This pool has a notoriously silty bottom, which can be a nightmare once the fish start rooting about in it. It is not uncommon to have a



The French anglers caught a few.





Wayne Swinscoe loves the winter sport at White Acres...

motionless float sat among a mass of bubbles, so Clint made an astute decision to start a new swim just four or five metres out, up the near shelf and away from the silty bottom. Feeding just a few maggots and a handful of groundbait saw him net a string of bream to 2lb, soundly beating anglers of the calibre of Des Shipp in his section into submission.

Another standout performance was Andy May on Day Two from Peg 5 on Sycamore. True to form, he

winning 36lb 5oz on the scales!

With the rest of Alan's Drennan Team England squad also in attendance a quality field was assured. It was, however, 2013 French world champion Didier Delannoy who showed his contemporaries the way, being the only senior international to score a maximum two section wins.

No fewer than five anglers tied on a maximum 12 points. Of those it was youth that triumphed over



The tackle prizes on offer are show stoppers in themselves.



... as does Drennan man Jon Arthur.

left his plummet in his box and went on to bag 33lb of roach using his favourite caster-shallow tactics!

It was also great to see organiser Gary Barclay rewarded with a section win on a tougher second day with 16lb of roach from Peg 31 on an F1-dominated Twin Oaks. On the adjacent lake, Neil Mallinson also managed to avoid the larger residents to put an excellent 42lb 6oz catch of skimmers on the scales from Peg 8.

Five-time world champion Alan Scotthorne also showed the way on Nelson's by going against the grain and fishing the waggler over tiny balls of groundbait, containing dead maggots, pinkies and corn. Others in his section watched on in awe as a world-class display saw him plonk a section-

experience. The top two was a fiercely contested battle between former Drennan Team England U23 teammates Matt Godfrey and Cameron Hughes. Matt's 86b 1oz total weight was certainly impressive... but not half as good as Cameron's 112lb of silver fish in just two days AND two overall match wins to boot!

The Derbyshire ace and Kamasan Starlets man won Day One with 55lb from Peg 25 on the highly fancied High Bank of Pollawyn. He then pulled out the adjacent Peg 26 the next day (much to the disbelief of everyone in the draw queue!) and proceeded to go slightly better with a match-winning 57lb!

Fishing casters shallow, anywhere between two and five feet deep in nine feet

of water and feeding up to five pints of casters was his favoured tactics. Surprisingly, however, his two catches were quite different. On Day One he caught mostly quality roach with just a few better skimmers. On Day Two it was an almost all-skimmer catch that gave him victory.

Cam certainly drew a red-hot area, but he made no mistakes and also had some very big names in his section to fend off each day, which he unquestionably did in style. Second-placed Matt Godfrey had an equally tough challenge each day, so these two young guns must surely be catching the attentions of the England

senior management by now?

The top three all drove home with shiny new Drennan Rive seatboxes, while the top nine also all received cash, culminating in a £1,000 winner's cheque for Cam. The presentation took a considerable time to reach its finale as every single competitor earned him or herself a share of £7,000 worth of tackle prizes – something you rarely witness in events of this nature. That was followed up by a well-deserved post-match meal and a promise that this prestigious event will run again next year, even bigger and even better! Watch this space...

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Matrix Boss Ricky Teale Says:

Winning any White Acres event is a great achievement and young Cameron Hughes is no stranger to a big match win. Having represented England on the world stage, playing his part in securing team medals, he is a true talent who once again proved his prowess in front of UK and European anglers on this event.



(From left): Rive boss Didier Delannoy, Neil Mallinson, Cameron Hughes (winner), Matt Godfrey and Drennan's Gary Barclay.



THE RESULTS

1st	Cameron Hughes	(Rive, Kamasan Starlets)	12pts	(112-0-0)
2nd	Matt Godfrey	(Pole Fishing, Drennan Barnsley)	12pts	(86-1-0)
3rd	Neil Mallinson	(Drennan)	12pts	(56-7-0)
4th	Gary Pook	(Daiwa Dorking)	12pts	(47-13-0)
5th	Didier Delannoy	(Rive)	12pts	(25-1-0)

For the complete results, visit the match section of White Acres' website at www.news-reel.com. To learn more about this event, visit www.drennantackle.com and to view the complete gallery visit Drennan's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/DrennanInternational.



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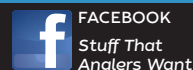
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Jamie Hughes took the title in 2014.



This year sees more big-money matches on popular Midlands waters. Ten qualifying rounds will be held on some of the Canal & River Trust's top stillwater fisheries, and each 40-peg qualifier will see four anglers go through to a 40-peg final at Blythe Waters Fishery on October 10th, 2015.

The dates and venues of qualifying rounds and the final are:

- Sunday, April 19th – Boddington Reservoir
- Sunday, May 10th – Blythe Waters
- Wednesday, May 20th – Boddington Reservoir
- Saturday, May 30th – Kiveton Waters
- Sunday, June 28th – Earlswood Lakes
- Wednesday, July 15th – Boddington Reservoir
- Saturday, July 25th – Earlswood Lakes
- Sunday, August 2nd – Clattercote Reservoir
- Saturday, August 22nd – Blythe Waters
- Saturday, September 19th – Blythe Waters
- Final: Saturday, October 10th – Blythe Waters

Entry is £25 per qualifier and tickets will go on sale in early February through the Angling Trust.

The Canal & River Trust's fisheries and angling manager, Carl Nicholls, said: "We're proud to host this event again in partnership with the Angling Trust. It gives match anglers a great opportunity to compete on some of our top stillwater fisheries and leads to a grand final with a great prize fund. The support of anglers has made this event what it is and has allowed the event to continue into its now eighth year."

David Kent from the Angling Trust added: "This event is now well established as a top event on the coarse calendar, attracting some of the best anglers from the stillwater match scene in addition to others who are trying big-match fishing for the first time. I'm very much looking forward to this year's competition."

Further information can be found on both the Canal & River Trust and Angling Trust websites.



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THE CANAL & RIVER TRUST AND ANGLING TRUST 2015 CANAL PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP

Natural-water fishing is seeing a massive upsurge in popularity in recent years. Various events are now being organised and this exciting league will find plenty of fans among all you canal lovers.

Each of the 11 Canal & River Trust's regions will host a qualifying heat, with the top five pairs going through to the 110-peg final, to be held along the Birmingham & Fazeley Canal on Saturday, October 24th.

The dates, venues and host clubs for the qualifiers and the final are:

- Sunday, April 12th – Grand Union Canal, Loughborough Soar Angling Society
- Sunday, April 26th – Shropshire Union Canal, Hodnet Angling Club
- Sunday, May 3rd – Grand Union Canal, Northampton Nene Angling Club
- Sunday, May 24th – Kennet & Avon Canal, Devizes Angling Association
- Sunday, June 21st – Gloucester & Sharpness Canal, Winget Angling Club
- Saturday, July 11th – Aire & Calder Navigation, Boothferry Aire & Calder Joint Canal Committee
- Sunday, July 26th – London Waterway, venue to be confirmed
- Saturday, August 15th – Rochdale Canal, Heywood & District
- Saturday, September 5th – Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal, Wolverhampton Angling Association
- Sunday, September 20th – Beeston Canal, Nottingham Anglers Association
- Sunday, September 27th – Leeds & Liverpool Canal, Wigan & District Angling Association
- FINAL Saturday, October 24th – Birmingham & Fazeley Canal, Dams & Lock Angling Club

Tickets are priced at £20 per angler (£40 per peg) and will go on sale in early February through the Angling Trust. A 50-peg Junior Canal Championship match will be held on October 24th.

The Canal & River Trust's national fisheries and angling manager, John Ellis, said: "It's been a long-held ambition to see a major national event of this type launched on the canal network. I feel sure that many club anglers will fancy their chances on qualifying for the final on their own local patch, and then who knows what might happen."

Angling Trust senior competitions manager, Ben Thompson, said: "We are delighted to be working with the Canal & River Trust on this competition. Last year's pilot programme on the Shropshire Union Canal went very well and we hope that the introduction of a series of qualifiers followed by a grand final will create opportunities for more anglers to compete in their local area."



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Just a gentle reminder that the tickets are now on sale and are selling fast. With the winning prize reaching a staggering £60,000 in 2014, this is an event that you simply have to give a try.

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There are big changes happening at Alders!

ALDERS FARM GETS A MAKEOVER

Popular bagging water Alders Farm now has new owners and there are big plans for the fishery in the near future.

Famed for its huge nets of carp, Alders might not be what you would expect from a commercial fishery. Spring-fed lakes in lush woodland are hardly the epitome of commercial venues but these are what you'll find at Alders.

The fishery staff are currently carrying out essential maintenance on the trees and paths while the platforms are being improved.

The lakes' stocks are also being changed. Alders is unique in that it has only ever received one stocking of carp, over 20 years ago. But due to excellent water quality, the fish breed extremely well year on year.

Match Fishing spoke to fishery manager Trevor Price to find out his plans. "Some anglers are put off by the huge weights that can sometimes factor here, so we have decided to alter the stocking to reduce the weights. We still want the fishing to be fantastic but weights of 400 to 500lb will become a thing of the past. By moving the bigger fish into stock ponds to allow them to breed, we have refreshed the lakes by adding plenty of our smaller stock fish. This will see 100lb-plus weights still common in summer but the winning weights will be far more respectable.

"I have also been attending fishing coaching courses to allow us to work with local schools, and also Get Hooked On Fishing, to implement a fishing school for kids. There isn't enough being done to help youngsters get into the sport so we have taken the decision to get as many kids here as possible. We have even set aside a pond for new starters to come and have a go."

We were very impressed with what Alders has planned for the future and it is sure to continue growing in popularity.

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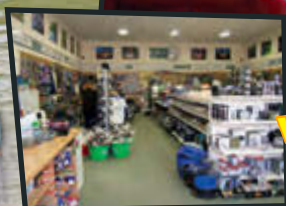
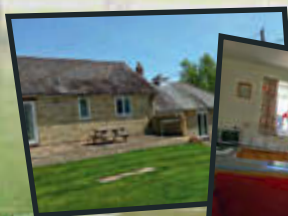
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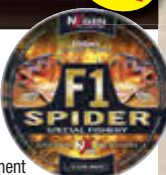
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Canal master **Tommy Boyce** shows you
how to get the most from breadpunch.

SIMPLE, *But Deadly!*

*Tommy's simple bread
tactics are fantastic!*

We all know how effective bread is on winter canals – roach and skimmers absolutely adore the stuff. For many, though, bread is just an afterthought; perhaps a bait for a quick first hour before settling into your rhythm on other baits.

For top towpath technician Tommy Boyce, however, the bread is a match winner. A tactic for the full five hours and a devastating one at that! His record on the Midlands and southern canals is enviable, while he is one of the few who remain loyal to the canal match circuit.

WHY BREAD?

"You need to understand that bread is almost a natural food to canal fish. Many of the sections that we fish are pegged in populated areas and that means that the fish see bread way more often than a squatt or a pinkie!

"I love to use bread at every opportunity. It is such a positive method, and when it works I can be confident of doing well. The fish you catch on it will always be a better average stamp than with squatts, plus you are always likely to encounter the odd bonus skimmer along the way.

"It is also very kind to the wallet: in this day and age we all welcome a cheap day's fishing and bread certainly gives that, three loaves for feed and a few slices for the hook and you're away."

BREAD PREPARATION

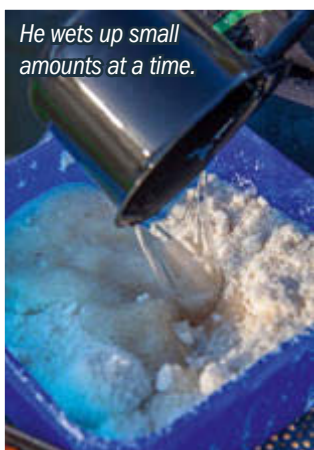
"You need a good-quality food processor if you are a regular bread angler. For years I made do with cheaper alternatives and would burn one out every six months or so. In the end it is far more cost-effective to spend a few quid more and buy a better blender.

"I will always take six to eight pints of the liquidised bread with me. My approach

Tom stores the bulk of his bread in a large tub.



He wets up small amounts at a time.



The wetted bread makes balls for feeding.



This is what the bread is all about.



is very attacking and, trust me, you can get through the bait very quickly.

"I don't bother cutting the crusts off the slices when preparing the bread – what's the point? The slices the duck feeders throw in have the crusts on and so will mine!

"Once the slices have been blitzed, I run the resulting crumb through a fine sieve. Any lumps that don't get through will be put back into the blender and given another blast. Ultimately I want the punch feed to be as fine as I can get it.

"When I am happy with the texture of the crumb, I

simply store it in a sealable plastic box that keeps the feed nice and moist, and also lump-free. Any bread that I don't feed will simply be frozen ready for the next match."

THREE LINES TO GLORY

"I like to target three areas of the swim with bread. The first is on a top five of my pole. This is where I will always start and while other anglers may see it as a line to catch early from and then forget, I actually try and make it work for the five hours.

"Granted you won't just clatter them there for the

Positive olivette rigs make a big difference to the stamp of fish caught.



whole match but with some persistence and regular feed there will be spells in the match where you will get another run of fish. This is vital, because on many of the canal matches that I fish, 3lb to 6lb is the target, with 8lb generally getting you in the top three. So if you can catch a quick 2lb short and then pick up a few fish off the line throughout the match, you could catch as much as 5lb short, which is a large chunk of your target achieved!

"The other two lines are at the base of the far shelf and at the top of it. Today those are nine metres and 11 metres. These could be really good swims but I use them more to keep my catch rate ticking over when the short line dries up. The water is generally shallower on these

spots and because I can't feed them by hand like I do on the short line, I rely on the initial feed holding the fish more than the regular feeding that holds them short."

SLOPPY SECRETS

"My bread is just like many others' in that it is super fine and just damp enough to squeeze into a ball. But what I do that is slightly different to the norm is scoop two pints of crumb into a smaller tub. I then pour in some water and leave it to soak. The result is a small amount of sloppy bread, but importantly it is not super runny and I can feed it in tiny nuggets by hand.

"The resulting mix goes to the bottom quickly but still emits a bit of a cloud, which attracts fish from far and wide."

FEEDING – KEEP IT REGULAR

"Many anglers go wrong on the canals in that they don't feed enough bait. You must keep feeding with bread otherwise your swim will just fade away. My swims are kicked off with sizable balls, but it is what I do thereafter that is important.

"The short line receives a small 'thumb sized' ball of bread every chuck. Even when I come off the line and try elsewhere I will still maintain my routine of plopping the small balls in short.

"On the two longer swims, I can't maintain the same regular feeding principles simply because I cannot be accurate enough with the feed by hand at those distances. Instead I will drip a bit in by using a small Toss Pot."

THE POWER OF THE 5

"You may be surprised to find out that I pretty much always stick to a 5mm breadpunch. I see no end of anglers using tiny 3mm punches but I don't see the point. Skimmers are worth

their weight in gold on this canal and while the 3mm might be better for 'blades', you won't catch skimmers on it. I find 5mm to be the best compromise size and believe I catch a better stamp of roach as a result."

POSITIVE RIGS

"My main bread rig is about as simple as it gets. I use a 0.5g Drennan Canal float, this is set up on 0.07mm line straight through to a size 20 B511 hook and is shotted with a simple olivette and one No11 dropper. This rig is brilliant and gets the hook bait down to the bottom in double-quick time. Importantly, though, bites register quickly and positively.

"I believe this rig catches me better fish as a result. Strung-out shot are all very pretty, but you will catch smaller fish, it's as simple as that! I have lost count of the

Top Tip

GET OUT OF JAIL

"There are some days where you are on a pile of tiny fish. Bread is not the answer for them so I revert to a groundbait and squatt attack for these occasions. I always carry some Sensas Formula Supreme with me and if it is clear that the swim is full of 'eyes' then I will feed a ball and fish squatts or pinkies over the top. I never feed it at the start, though!"



A 6lb net of bread fish on a rock-hard winter session.



number of times that I have beaten 200-fish anglers with fewer than 100 of my own.

"For further across the canal, I drop the float size to suit the depth and use a simple bulk and three droppers."

THE SESSION

"I am fishing the Grand Union Canal today at Yardley Gobion, in Northamptonshire. It is typical of many of the stretches of this canal in that the weights that I have already mentioned will always be good. I have simply potted in on the three bread swims and have got my head down and into a nice rhythm on the short swim.

"As predicted, the sport is instant; you need to be in the game straightaway because quite often a bonus skimmer or a big roach will come within the first 10 minutes so make sure you are ready for it.

"I've caught well from the off today, and by feeding every chuck I have got the fish gagging for the bread. The pattern repeats itself for 90 minutes before the swim fades. This is not a problem; I will keep feeding the short line but will try and catch what I can from the other two lines before they hopefully 'rock-up' short again.

"The longer swims are much harder; this can be expected on winter canals as the boats definitely have an adverse effect on sport when the temperatures plummet. However by being confident and positive with the bait, the fish have arrived short again and I have another great run in the final hour."

"I have ended with 6lb plus today, which I am sure would win me a prize on a freezing cold day such as this. The fact that the short line came good again just shows the importance of keeping it fed, regardless of whether you are catching or not." **mf**



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Match Fishing Clinic

Rob Wootton is in the hot seat this month to answer a few of your questions.

Question 1

High-Level Hysteria

With the rivers being a little 'out of sorts' of late, I was wondering if it is still worth me fishing them and how would you go about approaching a venue that could possibly be difficult to fish?

Frank Jones, Warwickshire

WINNER

This
month



Fishing rivers that are on the high side is something that I really enjoy. It is perhaps the ultimate challenge. The first thing you need to get your head around is that river fish always have to feed and this is particularly the case when the rivers are raging. They expend a lot of energy fighting against the flow so they must eat to replenish that energy. This is great news and means that even if the fishing is going to be tough, there will always be a few bites to be had.

The river needs to be approached in a slightly different manner, however. Although I am in no doubt that a lot of fish will sit out in the raging flow, fishing for them out there is a tough and almost impossible proposition. This needn't be a bad thing, though, and quite often the closer to your own bank that you fish, the more you will catch!

This can be taken to extremes too and I have had matches where I have caught well literally inches from my own bank. This is usually in extreme conditions when small fish are seeking refuge.

Watercraft really comes in handy in this situation and 'reading' the river is vital. Look for slacks and eddies on the near side. Anything that decreases the flow will always hold fish.

As for tactics, the pole feeder, normal feeder and flat float will all produce. All three of these present a static bait and will help you get among fish. The pole feeder is probably the most reliable tactic. It is very simple to fish and is really exciting! (There is a great feature on this method elsewhere in this issue – Ed)

As for baits, larger fish are usually the target so opt for baits that give you a chance of a big fish. Worms in their various guises are always popular while casters and maggots are a must. Groundbait is also necessary and strong-smelling mixes are ideal – something like Dynamite Silver X Bream.

It can pay to be positive on flooded rivers and that goes for both tactics and feeding.

Feeder tactics can work well on flooded rivers.



Quality fish will still feed in poor conditions.



Winter bomb fishing can be about so much more than 'chuck it and chance it'.

Question 2

Winter Bomb Work

The bomb seems to be a consistent fish catcher throughout the winter months, but from the outside looking in it can seem to be a bit of a 'chuck it and chance it' approach. Is this true, and are there ways to improve your chances?

Roger Fuller, York

few of the real winners. Sweetcorn, for example, will always be a terrific bomb hook bait for winter and I wouldn't go fishing without it. Single or double grain on a hair rig can be deadly. It is what I would use a lot of the time and it is a bait that fills me with confidence.

Other reliable options are popped-up bread, meat and 8mm pellets. There are also other hook baits such as the new Dynamite Super Fishmeal Nuggets that I would also look to try. Generally the key is visibility, and the brighter the bait the better.

Tackle needn't be too refined; carp don't get any smaller and a double-figure fish is always a likely proposition and you just have to get them out. For this reason I will always use 0.18mm Silk Shock as a minimum and match this to a size 12 or 14 hook.

The key is and always will be location. Carp can shoal up in huge numbers in winter and generally won't move very far. Use a light bomb and don't be afraid to really search your swim by casting around and looking for liners.

Rob Wootton Says...

To be fair, you are quite right that the bomb can be a bit of a 'lottery' method. Unfortunately, it is often the case of who has drawn on the most fish that wins. That being said, there are still anglers who always seem to do consistently better than others and that cannot be a coincidence.

Firstly you need to understand that there are likely to be anglers who are on more fish than you. Just accept it and do all you can to stack the odds in your favour.

Think about bait choices. There are hundreds that you could try but you only need to stick to a

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Method Mix

As a beginner to Method-feeder fishing I am totally confused by the smorgasbord of groundbait mixes that are on offer in the tackle shops. As a relative newcomer to the sport, what groundbait should I be looking to use as an all-round Method mix?

Fred Turner, Stockport

WINNER

Rob Wootton Says...

I can see why you could easily become confused by this subject because the tackle-shop shelves are absolutely lined with bag after bag of various groundbait mixes.

There are key points to choosing the right Method groundbait and firstly I must stress that several of the pre-mixed 'Method mixes' are actually not right for a match angler. These tend to be geared towards the specimen-carp angler and are packed with particles, and the mixes themselves are far too sticky for our quick fishing.

Fortunately Dynamite has some brilliant groundbaits in the range that are perfect for the job. If I were looking for an easy one-bag mix then the Swim Stim Method Mix would be my choice. This has been around for years and is extremely good. It is very fine, which I feel is important, but crucially it is packed with fish attractors such as Krill and top-quality fishmeals. The crumb is easy to use and mix and barely needs riddling.

If you want something a little more personalised then try mixing Swim Stim Green 50/50 with Dynamite Marine Halibut Groundbait. I have used this mix for more years than I can remember and have no end of confidence in it. As with all the baits in the Dynamite range, this offering is very easy to mix. For best results mix it so that it is a fine and fluffy texture.



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Joe Oakes shows how, with a bit of delicacy, a pole-feeder approach could be the key to unlock those ugly looking flooded rivers.

There can be few things more disheartening to a river angler than turning up to a match to the sight of a river that's up, coloured and pushing through at alarming pace, carrying all manner of debris. It's enough to put most anglers off, or persuade them to go to the nearest canal or commercial fishery.

Some hardy souls, though, like Joe Oakes, will fish whatever the conditions, and Joe is convinced that quite often it's the days when the river looks at its worst that it fishes its best. As the age-old saying goes, "looks can be deceiving", and we joined Joe at a rather uninviting River Soar at Sutton Bonington to find out just what was lying below the surface of this big, wide, unattractive beast!

"After a few days' rain over the weekend the river doesn't look the best," he began, "but I know from experience that there are still fish here to be caught. It's

The pole feeder is deadly on flooded rivers!

just a case of altering your tactics to suit the conditions and knowing what fish to target, and how.

"With the water being up, coloured and carrying a lot of rubbish I really don't expect roach to play much of a part today, so ruling out the roach leaves me with the options of bream or perch. This stretch holds a good head of both species and, for the simple reason that they're bigger, I'm going to target the bream.

"It's common knowledge that bream like a static bait and therefore to try and tackle this swim with something like a 2g pole rig would be silly – the bait would be through the swim in seconds, before the fish even had time to look at it. The answer is to fish a static bait and so the two choices are either a flat float or the tactic I'm going to use today, the pole feeder.

"In my opinion the pole feeder offers better presentation and greater options when it comes to feeding than a flat float. A pole feeder can be held perfectly still for long periods of time and you also know that your hook bait is always close to your feed, something else that isn't possible with a flat float, as you can never be totally sure where your feed has landed if you use a cup or a baitdropper.

"The flat float does have one advantage, though; it offers less resistance on the take. Well, it usually does, unless you use my rather unique way to set up the pole feeder.

"I've played with a lot of variations to get to what I consider to be the perfect way of setting up; some anglers simply put the feeder in and wait for the elastic to be pulled from the tip, but to me this is wrong – how often does this

A float bristle is all you need for bite detection.



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happen when using a float? The elastic is never pulled from the tip on the bite, so why should it happen just because you have no float on?

"The float I use must be the smallest ever used on a flooded river – it's tiny. In actual fact it's simply a thick plastic bristle from a pole float, as the body of the float isn't needed if you use a feeder and serves no purpose at all, the bristle is used simply as a bite detector.

"My rig may look quite complex but it's really easy to make and even easier to use. I make the rig up on a top four and my main line is 0.18mm Middy Lo-Viz. I attach my bristle with three rubbers, then slide on a snap swivel to attach my feeder, before tying on a small, single swivel. My hooklength

is 18 inches of 0.16mm and my hook choice is a size 16 Middy 52-0. I also add a couple of No8 shot to my hooklength just to help to keep it on the bottom.

"Now for the interesting bit. Above the float I attach eight inches of really light Middy 1-5 elastic, which is attached by tying two sliding stop knots that are then stretched apart until the elastic is 12 inches in length. What this does is create a few inches of slack line as the elastic contracts and then, rather than fishing your line tight to your tip, you're actually using an incredibly light bungee.

"Any fish taking your bait feels no resistance from the feeder as it's a free-running setup, no resistance from the float because you only have a bristle, and no resistance from the elastic in the pole as the 1-5 elastic on the rig absorbs the bite. This setup results in really positive bites that cause the 'float' to shoot under, and very few are missed.

"My feeder is always matched to the conditions and it needs to be heavy enough to get down quickly and let you tighten up to it using your pole tip; too light a feeder will just be constantly moved by either you or the flow. I've found that feeders with the lead at the bottom always fish much better when using the pole feeder as they sit the correct way up.

"The baits I have with me are what I consider to be proper bream baits – groundbait, worms, casters and red maggots. My groundbait choice is Dynamite Original Bream, which has had a little dark dye added. This is added to the feeder along with a small amount of chopped worms and a generous amount of casters. I have a lot of confidence in using a worm and maggot cocktail on the hook and this will be what I'll start on today.

"I don't feed anything



A bump bar is essential for this method.



Joe uses a length of light elastic for a resistance-free setup.



Five slabs in conditions many would walk away from!



flow so I'm fishing just eight metres out, which is a good compromise between presentation and where I think the fish will be.

"It takes a while to get my first bite, nearly an hour in fact, but I can tell straightaway from the amount of doubled 6-8 elastic that is being pulled out that it's a good fish. It fights hard in the flow but it's soon in the net and I'm off the mark with a fine 4lb bream. It's followed by a small perch and a smaller bream before something much bigger is hooked. This makes its way into the main flow, but after adding a couple of sections I get it under control and manage to slip the net under a huge 6lb River Soar bream.

"I manage a couple more and in just a few hours I have five bream and a few bits in the net for well over 20lb. Had this been a match I would be pretty confident that I would at the very least frame, if not win the match with a catch like that.

"The river may look out of sorts and not very appealing but the fish still live there, and they still need to eat! It's just a case of changing the way you fish to suit the conditions. The pole feeder is a brilliant tactic and, although it may look a bit clumsy, when fished correctly it can actually be quite a delicate way of fishing."

at the start of the session, instead I like my swim to build up slowly using the feeder and that way I know all the bait in my swim is exactly where I want it to be. As this is very much a sit-and-wait method a bump bar is of huge importance and, although you can fish this method without it, it does make it a lot easier if you use one.

"How far out you fish is down to the conditions; the flow is really strong today and there is a lot of debris being carried in the main

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What are your angling

Might actually try a match. Last one I fished I didn't enjoy at all.
Stephen Roberts

To replace all of the tackle that I had stolen, hopefully...
Colin Darker

Do well in the Division One National and get a peg with half a chance in Maver Match This and Fisho qualifiers.
Steve Ford

To try and enjoy fishing again.
Leaky Lloyd Lapidge

Frame in more opens and retain the North West Interclub Trophy for the fourth year running.
Jason Wright

To get some return for my outlay.
Shaun Portess

If I'm going to die anyway, then hoping it's with a decent fish pulling my string on a match. Be even nicer to frame and sheet published posthumously.
Adrian Nicholas

Improve my strategy and think more.
Craig Higson

Win the winter league (second with two matches left to fish), beat my match record and have a fishing holiday.
Andy Downton

To win a match at Tunnel Barn Farm and to do well in Maver Match This at The Glebe. Also to learn as much as I can from the top anglers.
Jamie Jones

To enter my first match.
Lee Thompson

Win my club's matchman of the year trophy for scoring the most points over the season and win a few sections and maybe frame in a few opens.
Sam Docker

Not get stressed and try to enjoy it more!
Ian Watson

After a lay-off get my kit sorted and get out more to sharpen up before probably starting team fishing again.
Jonathan Newland



goals for 2015?

Fish more natural venues and get back into bloodworm and joker fishing.
Les Monk

To be in the money more often on the opens that I fish.
Andrew Burnett

Same as every year – catch a carp or tench from one of the Norfolk Broads or rivers.
Michael Woods

Retain club cup, keep doing well in opens and enjoy it as much as last year... a sponsor would be nice.
John 'Gibbo' Gibbs

As a new Preston Innovations Blackhorse squad man, to break into the team and hold my place.
Ash Bunnage

To carry on enjoying my fishing. Hopefully win a big match. Main thing is to help my mates and anybody else who asks for help to become better anglers.
Keith Haynes

To master fishing shallow on the long pole when the weather warms up.
Dale Oliver

To enjoy fishing the entire summer within 15 miles of my front door.
Ian Didcote

Catch 500lb on the pellet waggler at Boddington.
Phil Hardwick

Work less and fish more, especially matches at my local water and at a few opens. Neglected the lakes for the sea more last year but if I work fewer weekends and stay out of the pub I can do both!
Stuart Goddard

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GROUND BAIT TEST

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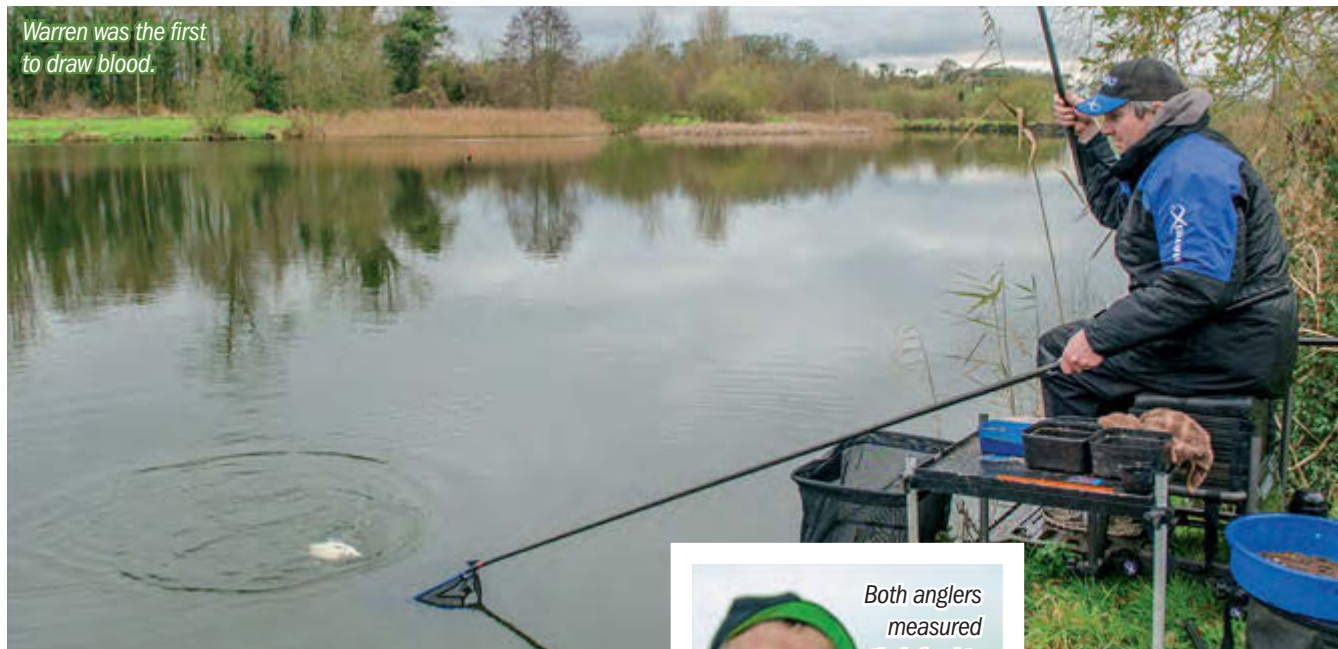
Have we become lazy when it comes to groundbait choice and preparation? We put two totally different mixes to the test and were amazed by the outcome.



Warren and Daniel pit two considered mixes against each other.

Do commercial anglers really care about groundbait? How many of us actually pay any attention to the groundbait we feed or the mixes we use, and simply have an 'it'll do' attitude? In complete contrast, river anglers, especially on the international scene, spend hours looking at the finest details of their mixes and appreciate just how important the right ingredients can be.

So does the right mix really make so much difference? We decided to put it to the test and joined



Warren was the first to draw blood.

two of Norfolk's top anglers – Warren Martin and Daniel Brydon – to find out if the groundbait we use can make or break our sessions.

With winter firmly set in and the stocks of silvers in most commercials becoming the savour of most anglers' sessions, we thought we would find out which of two common mixes really is the best when faced with a swim full of roach and skimmers. The testing ground would be Spring Lake at Hinderclay Lakes; it's a large natural lake that is home to an abundance of roach, skimmers, perch, tench, crucians and big carp, although our anglers agreed that carp wouldn't count.

Obviously the anglers

never take these head-to-heads seriously and we simply decided who sat where and who had which mix... as if! As usual, we first had to draw to see who had choice of pegs, and then we had to draw to find out who had first choice of groundbait mix.

Daniel won both and chose Peg 9, putting Warren on Peg 10, and he also had first choice of groundbait.

The anglers had decided on two mixes: the first was Van Dan Eynde Super Green Carp, a typical fine fishmeal groundbait that most anglers would now opt for when targeting skimmers on commercials. The second mix had a little more thought put into it and consisted of three different groundbaits: 40 per cent Van Dan Eynde Supercrack Roach, 40 per cent Super Roach Black and 20 per cent Supercrack Bream.

This provided a darker mix containing a lot of hemp and small particles, along with a sweet aroma thanks to the Supercrack Bream, which has an obvious hint of Brasem.

Basically this is a much more



Both anglers measured their feed to keep results accurate.

traditional skimmer mix that anglers have used for years with huge success, but would it be a case of 'out with the old and in with the new'? Daniel had faith in the new and to Warren's surprise chose the fishmeal mix.

To keep the test as fair and accurate as possible both anglers would fish just one swim at 13 metres and other than their groundbait mixes everything else would be kept identical. They had the same baits, worms, casters and maggots, and these baits would be measured out exactly before being introduced into their initial feed.

We all know that the rigs we use can have a big effect on our catch rates so Warren had provided both Daniel and himself with identical rigs. As the lake has a big head of skimmers the lads had opted for 0.75g Matrix

Silver Fish Series 7 floats on 3lb Maxima main line to a 0.10 Matrix Power Micron hooklength, and on the business end a fairly fine wire size 18 Silver Bagger hook, which would be perfect for either a double maggot or a small section of worm.

Both anglers mixed up their groundbaits before tackling up, and agreed to kick things off with five balls at 13 metres. These would contain two 150ml pots of casters and the same of worms, which would provide a good bed of feed to hold any skimmers that were attracted to their respective mixes.

With Daniel and Warren itching to get fishing we let them loose and they carefully potted in their five balls of groundbait; from this point on both anglers would only top up when they both agreed and would fish the same baits on the hook at the same time. They both shipped out their double red maggot hook baits and the contest was under way.

Despite the lake now being flat calm, heavy overnight wind meant that the lake still had quite a bit of tow so both anglers were fishing three inches overdepth to help hold their bait still.

Warren was first to get a



Skimmers definitely preferred Warren's sweet mix.

bite and was rewarded with a nice 11lb skimmer. Just a few minutes later another followed and when a third was caught, all within the first 25 minutes, Daniel was left wondering if he'd made a bad choice: "To be honest, I can't really understand why Warren is catching and I'm not – I've not had a bite yet!"

Finally, after what seemed like an eternity, Daniel finally struck into his first fish, which was followed

Unfortunately this did neither angler any favours; Daniel's swim seemed devoid of fish and the feeding skimmers in Warren's peg didn't seem impressed with having two balls of bait dropped on their heads.

Daniel finally got off the mark, nearly two hours into the contest, with the help of a small perch. A couple more followed before he finally caught his first skimmer.

"They've turned up now Warren," he called out. "Now you're in trouble!" Daniel's war cry must have fallen on deaf ears as Warren promptly proceeded to hook into a skimmer of his own.

The next 30 minutes were quite close with both anglers catching a couple of skimmers and Warren catching a nice bonus perch, which put up a spirited fight on light tackle. Once again, however, Daniel's swim went dead while Warren began putting a run of skimmers together.

"I've a horrible feeling that the carp may have turned up again. I was just starting to put a few fish together and now my swim is dead," remarked a frustrated Daniel.

Sure enough, just 10 minutes later Daniel was into another carp, although Warren wasn't convinced.

"It's just a big perch about 11lb, don't lose it like you did that tench!" Daniel was determined to land it this time to at least win the carp argument, but it snapped his light hooklength before he had a chance to see it.

Again, both anglers topped up, with just one ball this time, and this seemed to work for both swims. Daniel added a couple more skimmers and Warren was motoring along and added several big skimmers and a couple more perch before we called a halt to the match.

It was such a no-contest that it wasn't worth weighing the anglers' catches, with Daniel having around 10lb while Warren had close to 40lb.

"Well, I think we can safely say that Warren's mix was better today. I've just not been able to put a run of fish together all day," Daniel summarised. "I think the fishmeal just attracted carp and there was no way the skimmers would feed while I had big carp in the swim. That said, even after the carp had gone the skimmers didn't settle on the fishmeal like they did over Warren's bait."

What Daniel said simply confirmed what we had witnessed: Warren's mix, which had been specifically tailored to target the skimmers, had done exactly that while Daniel was left with what can only be described as a rather confused swim that didn't really know what it was supposed to be.

One thing we certainly learnt was that even on commercials, spending time perfecting your mix, and ensuring that what you're using is targeting the fish you want to catch, is every bit as important as it is on rivers and canals. The difference between winning a match and coming nowhere really can come down to the mix you use. Not only food for fish, but food for thought! ■■



Just 10lb for Daniel and his fishmeal mix...

by several metres of elastic being slowly pulled from the pole. Unfortunately for Daniel it seemed he'd hooked into one of the resident carp, which average over double figures! Despite his best efforts to keep it on, the fish and Daniel soon parted company. "That was a big tench," called Warren, laughing, "I saw it roll!" At which point he hooked into another skimmer to further add salt to the wound.

With the disturbance the carp/tench hybrid had caused to Daniel's swim he was keen to feed again, so both anglers agreed to top up with two more balls containing 75ml of worms and the same of casters.



... but 40lb for Warren and a huge win for the sweet groundbait.

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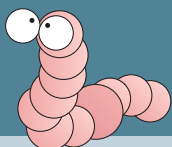
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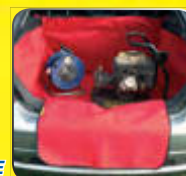
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Carass' CORNER

The trials and tribulations of Match Fishing's Joe Carass!

Joe has a recap of all his latest matches; it's been a month with more ups and downs than a big dipper!

Club 12 – tight pegging!



Extension 9 – the best of the bunch!



Top 31 – full of fish when conditions are mild.



Winter League Campaign

As is the norm for me, my winter is mostly taken up by fishing the Tunnel Barn Farm winter league. It is a great league, with 20 teams of four fishing it and even in the worst conditions there are always some fish to catch.

This year saw a slight change to our team, with Steve Ringer departing and joining Team Guru, so we had to draft in a suitable replacement. Fortunately for us, Jamie Hughes was looking for a team and there is no doubting his pedigree. stalwarts Jon Arthur and Paul Bick remained, and I couldn't wait to get cracking.

The first round saw me on Top Pool Peg 31, a nice, narrow swim that can be excellent when it's mild. Fortunately it was and I amassed 115lb for third in the match. The team also won the day – kicking off our league in some style!

Round Two saw me on the decidedly iffy Club 12. The pegging here is extremely tight this year so I didn't fancy it much, and to be honest the first three hours were dreadful with very little to show for my efforts. Pete Caton on Peg 13 and Ronnie Biggs on Peg 14 were also in the same boat. Luckily, though, my 5m line came alive and a frantic final 90 minutes meant I put 107lb on the scales, which got me some good points despite the shocking start! The team once again did well and a third place kept things ticking over.

Round Three was a disaster. Jon, Jamie and Paul were all unavailable, with various finals and festivals pulling them away. We had three willing replacements, though, in the shape of Lee Richards, Andy Neal and Andy Quarmby – a team that could do some serious damage given a good draw...

Unfortunately the drawing was left to me, and I pulled out some

shockers, not least Extension 17 for myself. The day was a write-off and my 30lb only beat two on the lake! The rest of the lads did okay but there is no way to recover from a three-pointer – one to forget, methinks.

The fourth round, and the dream team were back together but more importantly Jon Arthur's drawing arm was back (his consistency at the bag is frightening). Extension 24 was my home for the day, a peg I was overjoyed with. Unfortunately, someone didn't tell the fish of my optimism and I had another slow start, with just three fish to my name after two hours. The bulk of the fish were definitely to my left but I just couldn't get going. Luckily I pulled my finger out and had a steady match from then on, finishing with 48lb for fifth in the section, which I was pleased with. The team managed another third and got our league back on track after the previous disaster.

The fifth round, and the last before the Christmas break, was actually, on paper, a really bad draw. Fortunately the venue was frozen and with the lakes fishing tough it levels the playing field somewhat. I had an absolute flier in Extension 9 and couldn't wait to get going.

A simple match fishing both pellets and maggots through the ice kept me in touch with the fish, which were a touch on the small side but nevertheless I was chuffed to be catching well. I ended with over 40 fish for a 56lb total that won the section and also took sixth place overall.

Better still, the rest of the lads had produced some great performances on a rock-hard day and we took the round with 62 points, which catapulted us back to the top of the league.

Gone Potty

I have been really struggling with my pellet fishing this season at Tunnel. There is always a window early in the match where pellets are worth a quick run of fish and it's a must that you capitalise on this. Sadly, I haven't been doing that lately and think it's been down to my feeding – quite simply I've been feeding way too much.

A chat with our F1 master Jamie Hughes put me back on the right track, and feeding two or three micros seemed to be the key. You need to be incredibly disciplined to make this kind of tactic work and the right pot is a must.

My home-made sprinkle pot is ideal; the lid is off an old maggot feeder and it lets just one or two pellets out at a time. This is important as patience is needed when waiting for bites with pellets. I have found that feeding two or three times while waiting for a bite is a good way to fish. These pots make this task easy and I can be confident that my feeding is spot on.

Using the right pot can be just as important as what you put in it!



Jamie Hughes has convinced me to use bigger shot.



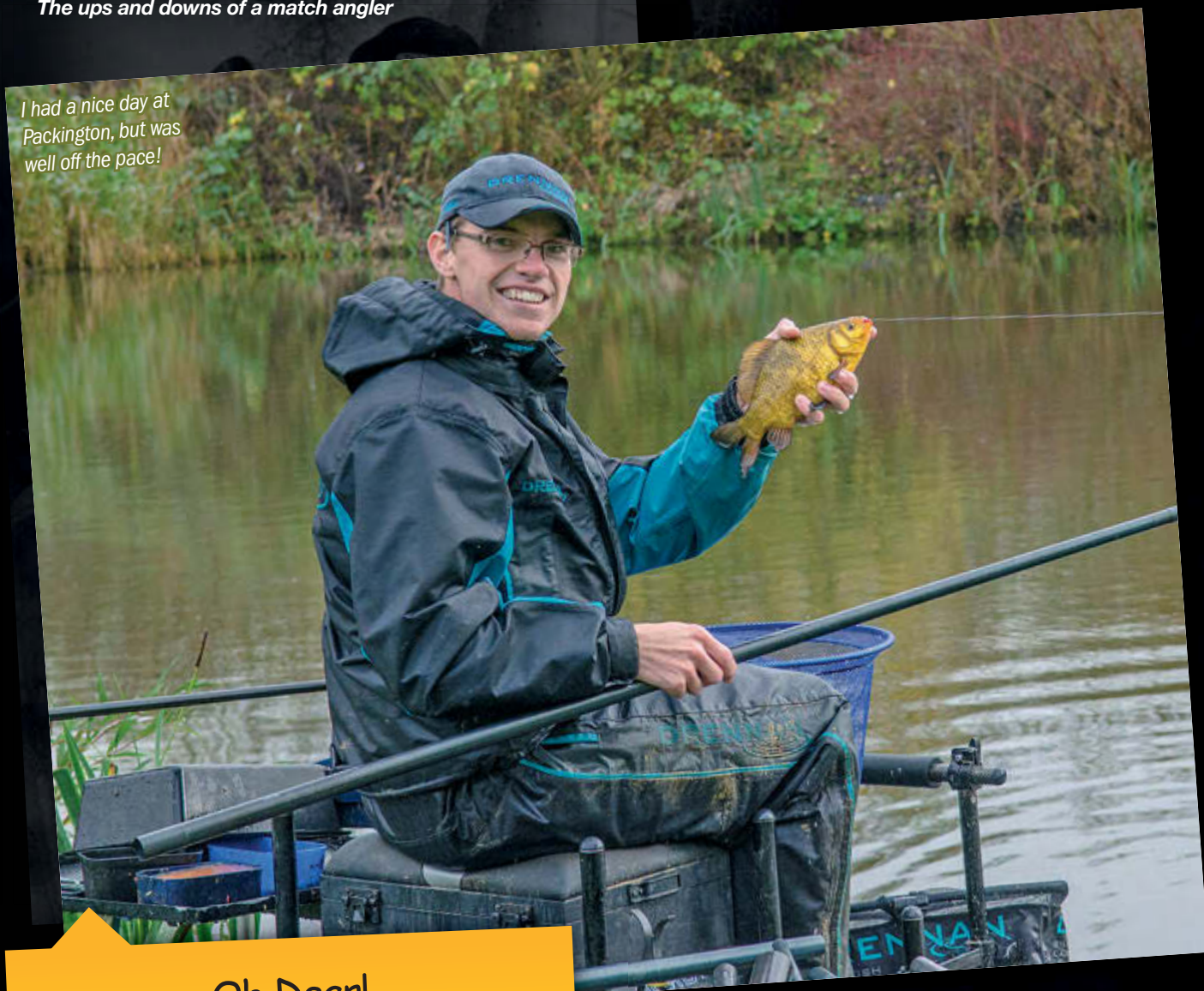
Big Droppers

Another area where I felt I needed to 'sharpen' things up were my rigs. I have long been a fan of a tightly strung bulk of No11 shot starting four inches from the hook. Lately, though, I just haven't felt this is right.

Again a few chats with Jamie gave me a few fresh ideas and I changed my pellet rigs over to No9 shot instead. It seems to have helped and the majority of the bites are unmissable!

On a recent feature I managed to get some underwater footage of F1s feeding and to say it was interesting is an understatement. It is no surprise after watching the footage why big shot work well.

I had a nice day at Packington, but was well off the pace!



Oh Dear!

I must start by saying a big well done to Tom Scholey and Matt Godfrey for getting the Preston Innovations Pole Fishing Pairs up and running. We have needed something big to fish in winter and in my eyes this is the ideal event!

It was the ideal opportunity to team up with my old travelling partner, Lee Kerry, and with the first round being at Barston Lakes and Packington Somers I was confident we could do well.

Sometimes in fishing, though, things just don't go your way whatsoever! This match was definitely one of those occasions. We had practised on the venue in the week leading up to the match and had a great session, learning plenty of gems.

What we didn't account for, however, was a draw-bag disaster. Poor Lee was stuck in the top corner of Barston while I was on Peg 41 on Molands at Packington.

Now in a normal match, I'd be more than happy with my peg. There were loads of carp in front of me and I'm sure a simple 'bomb and bread' approach would have been good enough. Unfortunately, though, it was pole only, with carp not counting. My match was poor: it rained all day and I couldn't catch an F1 while those to my left further on to Scarecrow Point caught one a chuck. My 9kg only beat one in the section – a result to forget. I was dreading telling Lee, but amazingly he had suffered exactly the same fate and only beat one angler in his section. We got off to almost the worst possible start to the league but, nevertheless, will try and make amends in the three remaining rounds.

My Rig Of The Month

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As I said, my pellet rigs have had some revision and I feel they are much improved on what I used previously.

The float is much heavier than before, which seems to work very well for shy-biting F1s. The Stotz are also relatively large No9s, which help to register the bite extremely quickly.

One key point is that I have started to incorporate a No9 Stotz on my hooklength. I can slide this around depending on bites but have found the optimum distance to be about three inches from the hook.

Another point you may find interesting, and this is something I learnt from Stu Palser, is to leave plenty of bristle sticking out. I used to dot it right down and strike at everything, but soon realised I spent more time out of the water than in it!

Leaving plenty on show delays the strike and helps me hit more bites.

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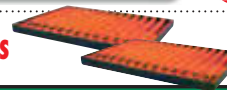
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The 3-Pronged Attack

F1 master **Jamie Hughes** sheds some light on a deadly three-pronged attack that is a must-try this winter.

Most of the venues that I fish revolve around F1s in one way or another.

I love fishing for them and my exploits in catching them on the pole are well documented. I have never written about catching them on rod-and-line tactics before, though, and today I am going to share some of the secrets that have served me well in recent years.

There are three approaches that I consider, and I actually use them all at some stage throughout a match. They are the Method feeder, waggler and cage feeder. Why I opt for all three will become clear later on, but they all have their day and whenever I need to catch F1s on rod and line tackle then I will set up all three.

THE METHOD

By far the most reliable, the Method can be unbeatable. I will always start on it and, should I draw on a shedful, I could well finish on it.

There have been countless articles about this deadly tactic so I won't bore you with the stuff that has been written about in the past, but I will explain my thinking.

Firstly, the Method is a great way to get an 'area' going in your swim. Because the bait melts off the feeder, I can be confident that pretty much all of my bait is in the

place where I intend it to be. This allows me to create a hot area in my peg in which I can work.

Starting on the Method will get me off to a quick start providing I'm on a few fish; however, it is unlikely that you will just keep catching on the Method. They deliver a lot of bait into the swim and, let's be realistic here, it's winter and the fish just won't keep gorging themselves – that's where the other tactics come in.

I will always use micros around the Method, which, out of interest, is a small Kobra model, as I find pellets to be a much safer bet when it comes to F1s.

What I do with the pellets is interesting, though; it is far from a case of using whatever 2mms you can get your hands on.

PELLET PREP

For most of my fishing I use the Bag 'em Super Natural Carp Pellets in a 2mm size. They are great pellets and very uniform in size. When prepared, they break down from the Method feeder extremely quickly. Now this is very good in the height of summer when I am getting bites as soon as I cast in, but in winter I need to slow things down and have a slower breakdown.

The key is the pellet type, and here at Lingmere they sell Coppens pellets. These, by their make-up, are incredibly sticky once prepared. If I were fishing at extreme range and sitting it out for just a handful of bites then I would use these neat. But for F1s they are just way too sticky. Today we have timed the breakdown, and after 10 minutes the pellets were still in a solid ball!

What I stumbled across,

though, was to mix the two together in various amounts to slow the breakdown times. The Bag 'em pellets are my 'base', if you like, and I then add the Coppens pellets to slow the breakdown. Just a few Coppens will give the mix a two-minute breakdown while a 50/50 mix will take it up to the five-minute mark.

I will make a mental note of how quick bites are coming and then adjust my bait to break down in the correct time.

CAGE FIGHTER

If the swim is going well on the Method, then I will try and up the ante, and there is no better way than with a cage feeder. For some reason I have found that a cage and

Top Tip

Use lead to add weight to feeders.



short hooklength combo will get you bites far quicker than the Method.

This only seems to work when the fish are feeding confidently, and if I am waiting for bites I will stick to the Method but, trust me, the cage is brilliant when there are lots of fish to be caught.

My setup is a simple one, a three-square cage feeder to which I have added a

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THE COMBINATION

To get the perfect mix, Jamie blends the two pellets together to get the right breakdown speeds. The quicker bites are coming, the more Bag 'em pellets he adds. But if waiting for bites, he will add more fishery pellets.

Jamie uses three different pellet mixes.



Jamie believes a tiny cage feeder is best when lots of fish are present.

strip of lead. This is then fished in a 'fixed' style by putting both the feeder and a hooklength in a snap swivel. The hooklength is just four inches in length.

The reason for the extra weight is simple: it just helps prick and hook the fish, as the feeder is considerably lighter than a Method. Through the feeder I will put some Super Skimmer Dark and a few micros. I have tried many hook baits and, to be honest, the best is always a 6mm hard pellet (the same as on the Method) but I do carry some 6mm White Tuffits with me to try as a hi-viz change hook bait.

PICK THEM OFF

There are usually spells in the match when things go quiet. It may be that there is too much bait in the peg, or maybe even the fish have just backed off. A natural thing to do would be come off the swim altogether and maybe try a pole swim. My first move is different, though, and this is where the waggler comes in. I fully believe the fish are going to be in and around that initial bed of bait created by the Method and cage, but they are just a bit full up.

A waggler cast around this feed zone and fished off the bottom can be a wonderful way to catch fish when the feeder options have died. The waggler makes way less disturbance and also offers the fish a different presentation. For this either a 6mm pellet or double maggot is the ideal hook bait.



Always expect some early fish on the Method.



A great net of fish, taken by utilising all three approaches.

Because the waggler is for searching the peg, I don't put any shot down the line. I want the hook bait to flutter through the water and catch the eye of a passing fish.

THE THEORY PAYS OFF!

Today I'm on the Bottom Lake at Lingmere Fishery. This is the ideal venue to demonstrate this three-

pronged attack. It is fairly typical of most venues in that there is a central island for anglers to cast to and a healthy head of fish.

I started on the Method and used a pellet ratio of 50 per cent Bag 'em to 50 per cent Coppens. Action was steady to begin with but as things improved I began to add more of the

Bag 'em pellets to speed up the breakdown and the catch rate and it has worked a treat.

With things going well it is time to switch to the cage; immediately the difference is there to see and bites come as soon as the feeder hits the lake bed. A quick six fish come on this before once again it becomes iffy. A switch back to the Method sees no upsurge in action.

It's time for the waggler, and by casting in the general area of the original feeder zone I can get the odd bite. By no means am I bagging but in the tricky middle spells of a winter match, keeping a few fish coming is the order of the day and the waggler is best for this!

As the last hour approaches I swap back to the Method and am instantly rewarded with another flurry of sport. To be honest, the day has gone exactly how I expected, with early fish on the Method while the swim built up, before taking advantage of a feeding spell with the cage, then using the waggler to catch when the fishing went hard, before a final flurry on the Method. This busy style has seen me with well over 50lb in the net and by working hard with three rods I have got my just rewards. **mf**

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Irish Festival Scene 2015

A look at what's on in Ireland during the 2015 season.

Ireland continues to top the list for the travelling match angler in 2015.

Known as festivals due to the combination of good angling and local hospitality with a pint or two of the black stuff, a series of matches take place across the length and breadth of Ireland from early spring to autumn.

It's natural angling, although not so wild these days with venue developments on lakes such as Garadice and Muckno allowing easy access to your peg, but still providing spectacular scenery. Heading south to County Cork the 530-hectare Inniscarra Reservoir showcased its magnificent angling at the World Feeder Championship in July 2014, now famous as the venue of Preston Innovation's England Feeder Team Gold and the crowning of Steve Ringer as world champion. The gateway to Inniscarra is the small village of Coachford, which this year will host festivals to



Make no mistake about it, Ireland's many venues offer superb sport.

The Irish scene is booming once again.



keep the hardy going for two weeks in May and three in September!

May sees the famous roach run on the River Erne and The Classic has long been a popular festival for English anglers. This year The Classic reaches its 40th anniversary and the organisers are preparing for a 250-plus pegger. You can fish festivals on the mighty Erne system right through

The pole plays a big part.



the month of May, starting with the Mahon's Festival on May 4th, which last year

saw Tommy Pickering bag 241lb of bream and hybrids from Peg 1 on the Sligo Road, through to the last week of the month and on to Ballinamore for the five-day festival on Lough Garadice and other local venues, where the Erne meets the Shannon.

Of course, the top title everyone is after is the prestigious World Pairs Champions 2015, with Rob Wootton and Adam Wakelin knocking the double Irish champions Cathal Hughes and Philip Jackson off their top spot in 2014. The €15,000 Pairs fund and superb Daiwa sponsorship makes it the richest coarse match in Ireland. A great concept showcasing all the Lakelands has to offer, it cleverly incorporates the Daiwa Cup allowing the individual to fish for his section money with an additional bonus of £8,000 worth of Daiwa vouchers for the top 10.

This year it's followed by a new big-money event – the Fermanagh Cup – and then the Horseshoe Festival, providing three weeks of fishing on the Erne system.

Take your pick from the calendar – there are festivals for everyone, from the canals of Dublin to the many lakes of County Cavan, offering matches throughout the summer months.

Match organiser Kevin Locke says: "Angling in Ireland continues to grow – the beauty of the Irish festivals is that you don't have to qualify to take part, yet there are top cash prizes to be won. We can expect to see some prominent UK match anglers attending more of the festivals this year, while Inniscarra is going to be hot, based on the successful Feeder Championship in July 2014."

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For further information on angling in Ireland and a full list of all the festivals visit www.irelandtravelplus.co.uk or call Kevin on 07736 129627.

IRISH ANGLING FESTIVALS 2015

DATE	MATCH	LOCATION
MARCH		
14 - 16	St Patrick's	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
APRIL		
4 - 6	Daiwa Erne Easter	Lough Erne, Enniskillen, Co Fermanagh
4 - 6	Easter One Muckno	Lough Muckno, Co Monaghan
7 - 10	Easter Two Muckno	Lough Muckno, Co Monaghan
MAY		
4 - 8	Mahon's Festival	Lough Erne, Co Fermanagh
5 - 8	Killeshandra Festival	Killeshandra, Co Cavan
5 - 9	Banagher	River Shannon, Co Offaly
11/13/15	40th Anniversary Classic	Lough Erne, Enniskillen, Co Fermanagh
12/13	King of The Erne	Lough Erne, Enniskillen, Co Fermanagh
18/20/22	Fermoy	River Blackwater, Fermoy, Co Cork
18 - 22	Mal Scott Cup	Lough Erne, Co Fermanagh
23	Hogan's B&B Open	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
24 - 26	Coachford Festival	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
25 - 29	Ballinamore Festival	Ballinamore Loughs, Co Leitrim
27 - 29	Rob Roy Festival	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
May 30 - June 1	O'Callaghans Cup	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
JUNE		
1/3/5	Edenderry	Grand Canal, Edenderry, Co Offaly
1 - 5	Senior Classic	Gowna, Co Cavan
2	O'Callaghans Open	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
3 - 5	Ottewill Trophy	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
6	Open Upper Dam	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
JULY		
6 - 7	Royal Enfield	Royal Canal, Dublin
8/10/12	Leinster Festival	Grand Canal, Co Offaly
9/11	Daingean Festival	Grand Canal, Daingean, Co Offaly
8 - 12	Breffni Challenge	Gowna, Co Cavan
13 - 14	Leinster 2-Day	Grand Canal, Co Offaly
11 - 12	Ballybay Festival	Ballybay Loughs, Co Monaghan
13 - 17	Muckno Festival	Lough Muckno, Co Monaghan
18 - 19	Edenderry 2-Day	Grand Canal, Edenderry, Co Offaly
26	NCFI All Ireland Championship	Killeshandra, Co Cavan
27 - 30	Belturbet Festival	Belturbet, Co Cavan
July 31 - Aug 3	Clones Festival	Clones Loughs, Co Monaghan
AUGUST		
27 - 30	Ramor Festival	Lough Ramor, Co Cavan
29	O'Callaghans Open	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
Aug 30 - Sept 1	Celtic Shield	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
Aug 31 - Sept 4	Fitzpatrick's Gowna	Lough Gowna, Co Cavan
Aug 31 - Sept 4	Belturbet Autumn	Belturbet, Co Cavan
SEPTEMBER		
2 - 4	Vintners Cup	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
5	Inniscarra Open	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
6 - 8	Lennox Cup	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
7 - 11	L&IW World Pairs Angling Championship	Lakelands Region
7 - 11	Arva	Arva Loughs, Co Cavan
9 - 11	Coolcower Cup	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
12	Guinness Cup	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
13 - 14	Muckno Feeder	Lough Muckno, Co Monaghan
13 - 15	Granvilles Cup	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
14 - 18	Fermanagh Cup	Lough Erne, Co Fermanagh
14 - 18	King of Clubs	Cavan Loughs, Co Cavan
14 - 18	Carrick on Shannon	Carrick, Co Leitrim
16 - 18	Hackett Cup	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
21 - 25	Horseshoe Festival	Lough Erne, Co Fermanagh
21 - 25	Cootehill Championship	Cootehill Loughs, Co Cavan
21/23/25	Sheemore AA	Carrick, Co Leitrim
Sept 28 - Oct 2	Carrigallen	Carrigallen, Co Leitrim
Sept 29 - Oct 3	Muckno Autumn	Lough Muckno, Co Monaghan
OCTOBER		
5/7/9	Fermoy Autumn Festival	River Blackwater, Fermoy, Co Cork
24 - 26	Jackie Lennox Munster	Inniscarra Lake, Co Cork
NOVEMBER		
2 - 6	Champion of the Lakes	Ballyconnell, Co Cavan

Rob Wootton's Bank Notes *A Look Back*

Rob Wootton
Age: 31
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MF says: Did he kill
Lucy Beale?

With a host of big wins, 2014 was a stellar year for Rob Wootton. Here he takes a look back at some of the highlights.

I love all styles of fishing, so it's even more pleasing to me that my own fishing over the last few years has involved so many different venues and disciplines.

This year has been a great illustration of the mixed nature of venues I've visited; not only have I been to a wide variety of fisheries in this country but also several challenging venues abroad. I've really enjoyed all these trips (who wouldn't) and each time I leave a venue it seems that I have learnt something new, which wasn't happening so often when I used to stick to the same few places.

Obviously fishing all these different venues can have an affect on anyone's angling and without doubt I seem to have become 'a jack of all trades but a master of none' – I can remember a time when I used to have certain fisheries well sussed out but it definitely seems that I need a couple of visits to a venue before I start to get any sort of results. I'm lucky that I have more time on my hands than most, so a quick trip to a venue a couple of days before the match is often on the cards, and it's ultimately time on the bank that gives anyone the edge. This month



The Old Nene produces some great sport in the cold months.

I want to run through a few of my favourite matches that I fished in 2014.

JANUARY – ROACH MECCA

The Old Nene at March is a winter must for many silver-

fish anglers, as the small waterway fills up with fish from the surrounding areas. Luckily for me I'd been fishing breadpunch quite a bit on various venues, so when I drew out a 'bung hole' peg on Pig Market

Corner I managed to catch enough to win the match, with 20lb of roach. Fishing at six metres, with a 4mm punch on the hook, I caught fish from start to finish.

These aren't small matches, with anything from 70 to 100 anglers on each one, so imagine my surprise when in the very next match I drew the same peg – fourth was my result this time, but still a great day's fishing.

MARCH – LATE RIVER ACTION

What a lovely day this was at Evesham. It was the last match of the river season and I made sure that I was booked in nice and early, as there's always a great turnout on the Avon for this event. Peg 4 was my home for the day and I really didn't fancy it; the peg is terrible in the warmer months and with very shallow water on the nearside of the river I felt my only chance would be on a feeder. In fact, I only set up two rods and nothing else. Again bread was the bait and my target was the odd chub.

First cast with a piece of flake on a big hook and the tip dropped back. I played the 'chub' to the net... before netting a lovely roach of well over 1lb! I had several more roach, all beautiful fish, and

Is there anything better than a big river roach?



ended up with a weight of 9lb for second in the match. However, it was a day when the result was insignificant because I'd enjoyed myself so much catching such nice fish.

MAY – FOUR-TIME WINNER

I love springtime commercials and there's no better example in my opinion than The Glebe, where each year Roy Marlow, in conjunction with Linda Marks, holds the Ivan Marks memorial match.

The match is run on a different format to a lot of others, whereby the biggest weight over the two days wins the trophy. My weight on Saturday's match was only just good enough for a section win, so when I drew two pegs to the left on the Sunday match I didn't really fancy my chances.

The wind was kind to me on this particular day and although there was a gentle breeze it wasn't so severe that I couldn't see the odd carp cruising around in the upper layers. I planned to 'dob' these fish but felt sure that they would soon spook after I'd caught a few. I was wrong, though, and there were odd fish cruising



It was a pleasure to win the Ivan Marks Memorial again.

through my peg for most of the match.

I fed a line at 14 metres with casters and pellets and then caught most of my fish on the edge of the feed. The best hook bait was a banded 6mm pellet, as I remember, and my weight of 240lb was only a few pounds ahead of Mick Wilkinson, who had some huge fish on one of the other lakes. There were loads of weights over a ton during the weekend and it's safe to say that The Glebe is a brilliant venue.

This was the fourth time that I have been fortunate enough to win this event and, more importantly, the weekend raises a load of

money for charity.

JUNE – IRISH ACTION

Inniscarra, in Ireland, was the destination for the 2014 Feeder World Championship, so it made sense to fish this feeder-only festival on the same venue and use it as a practice for the coming weeks. All of the England Feeder team travelled over and, along with plenty of Dutch, Irish and Belgian anglers, it made for a great festival.

Over the three days I managed two steady matches and one brilliant day where I managed to put over 30kg of skimmers on the scales. Will Freeman

won the festival, I was third and the rest of the frame was filled with other English Feeder team members. It was at this point that I felt sure we'd do well in the upcoming World Champs.

The tactics for this festival involved ploughing as much bait through the feeder as possible to target the skimmers and bream; they also seemed to be at a certain depth, so if you fished a line too deep you ended up catching very little, or just the odd eel, but get the distance right and every time the tip went round it was a skimmer.

JULY – GET THE BALL ROLLING

This was the UK Champs at Lindholme. After a second in section result on round one at Viaduct I knew I needed a decent match to keep up with the pace here. Lindholme has been good to me in the past, but it has also kicked me in the teeth a few times!

My draw was favourable – Beeches Lake was my home for the day and I drew a notoriously snaggy peg. I ended up fishing just a top kit in the margins with maggots and groundbait. Interestingly it wasn't until I started to feed plenty of maggots that the fish really turned up.

My 75kg was enough to win the section, but although it was a good weight it ended up pretty insignificant in the main frame as the whole complex fished its head off, with loads of weights over 70kg and several over 80kg.

AUGUST – THE INDIVIDUAL NATIONAL

Over the last couple of years I have come to really enjoy my time on the River Trent; my Starlets team had put a bit of practice in for the Division One National and I felt sure we'd do well.

One of the practice matches included the Individual National, held

just a week before the team event. My peg on Newark Dyke had some bream form so my opening gambit would be to fish for them on the feeder. Several nice fish in the first couple of hours was a great start, before the sun rose too high in the sky for them to feed in the clear water.

I could see small fish close in on the sandy bottom so I quickly set up a rig to catch them, just out of curiosity. It proved to be a good decision and in the next couple of hours I put around 8lb to 9lb of these little fish in the net to add to my bream, and they were crucial to me finishing second overall. It also gave me a great insight into the amount of small fish in the river, in preparation for the Division One National.

SEPTEMBER – UK CHAMPION!

What a great month this was for me, and the World Pairs win with partner Adam Wakelin was a huge achievement for both of us. My standout event was the final round of the UK Champs. Points were tight and I was just one point ahead of Jason Le Bosquet.

A practice was in order so I made a trip to Barston Lakes for a couple hours the afternoon before the big day. I needed a tactic that would give me decent points from most pegs and knew that a bold feeder approach or even a short-pole attack could win me the section, but it could also see me blow out.

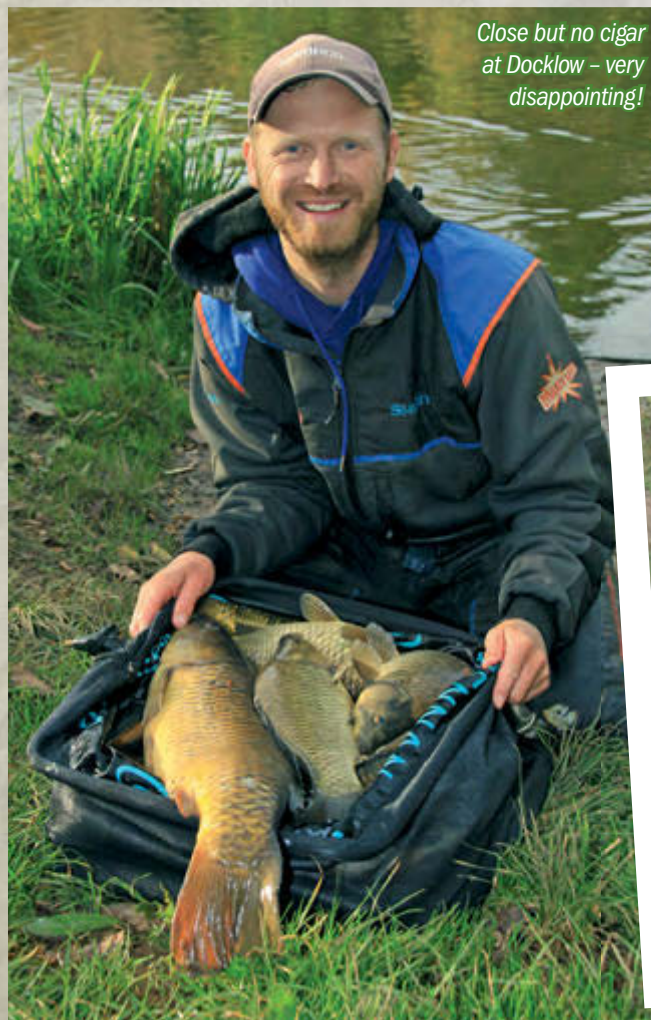
I managed to catch plenty of skimmers on a line at 13 metres on pellets; it wasn't the quickest way of catching them but I reasoned that I would likely finish in the top four in the section from most pegs by using these tactics.

If this happened then any of the chasing anglers would have to have a very good day... but I tried not to think of this scenario! My final section position of third was indeed good enough to win

Irish bream responded well to loads of bait!



Close but no cigar at Docklow – very disappointing!



the UK Champs, the plan worked and it's a title I'm very proud of.

OCTOBER – DRENNAN KNOCKOUT CUP FINAL

Some say that reaching the final is an achievement in itself, and I suppose it is, but once I'd got this far I wanted to walk away with the trophy after the two-day final. Again I felt I'd worked something out in practice utilising worms, casters and hemp on the pole at 14.5 metres. The first match started well and I felt sure that I was winning the day at the halfway stage... which is when the wheels began to fall off!

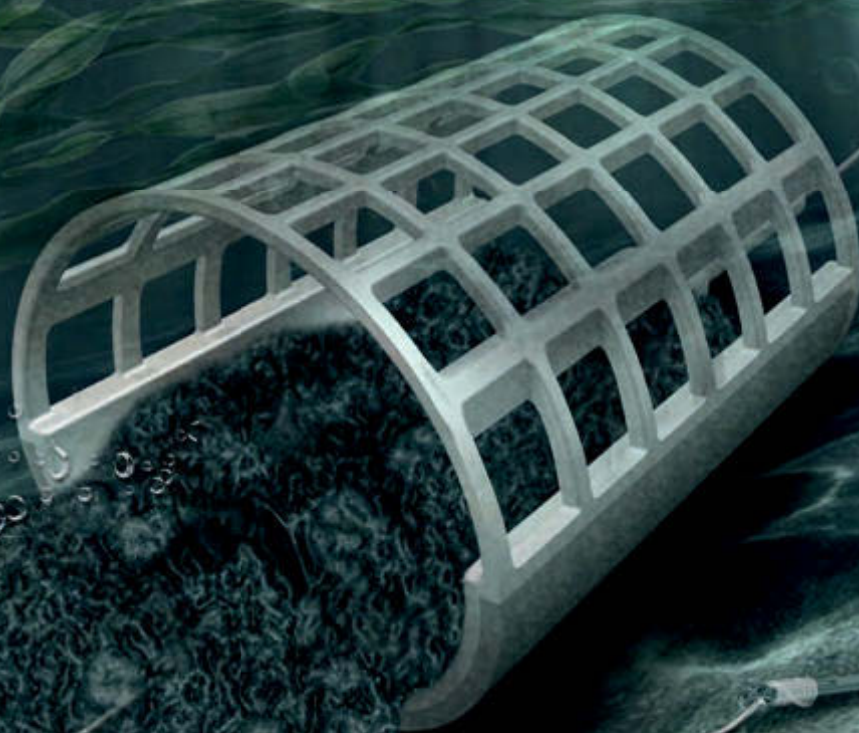
Looking back, I reckon that if I'd cut down on the amount of feed I was introducing I would have maybe caught a few extra fish. As it was I ended up agonisingly close to going through to day two, but unfortunately on this occasion it was a case of 'no cigar' and I had to drive home (with the hump) a day earlier than planned.

I would have loved to have won this match as my fishing tends to wind down after October, and this would have really put the cherry on the top of a very enjoyable year. mf

The Individual National was a great match.



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STUART PALSER

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Consistent

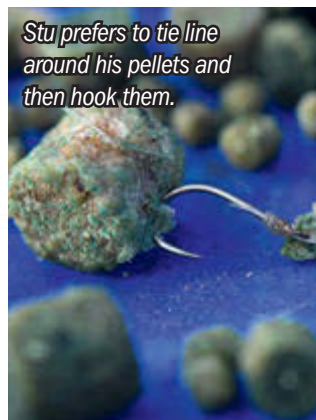
Middy-backed **Stuart Palsler** has been on a great run of form at Makins Fishery this winter. His approach has been a little different from the norm and the margins continue to play a vital role... even during the colder months.

The margins can be summer hotspots for catching big weights. As the match wears on the fish will naturally be drawn to the near bank, looking for food. It's an area you can't ignore and matches are won every week by fishing in the edge.

Compare that with the winter months. The margins are often the last places you would think to target. What right-minded carp would want to sit under the feet of the very anglers trying to catch them? But thinking in this way could be costing you fish.



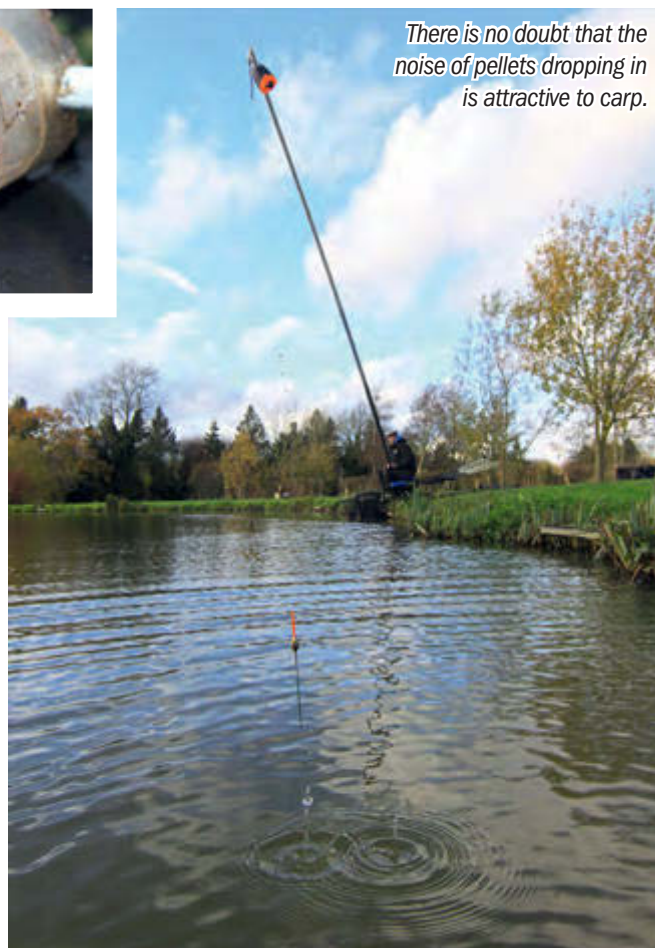
Frugal feeding of 6mm pellets is the way to go.



Stu prefers to tie line around his pellets and then hook them.

LEARN YOUR VENUE

I started to really concentrate on Makins Fishery this year; it is key when targeting anywhere new that you learn the venue. I had heard about the undercut banks at the venue but until you take the time to find them you may be missing a huge



There is no doubt that the noise of pellets dropping in is attractive to carp.

trick. While these are not necessarily good in summer, throughout winter they are like magnets for carp.

I have spent a long time after the matches searching for undercut banks, simply by prodding a landing-net handle under the banks. Try it – you will be amazed at what you find. Some of the undercuts could be four feet deep and you just know they will be great winter hideouts.

Here on Phase 3 at Makins the islands offer little in the way of cover; the maintenance team do a great job here and the venue is immaculate. The islands don't have the same undercuts as the near banks so in theory the margins offer the fish more cover than islands.

It is no coincidence that when you watch the lakes first thing in the morning, all the fish you see topping will be close to the margins. It is where they live, but many anglers never give this area a second thought.

THE RIGHT APPROACH

Because the fish live there, you don't need to feed to draw the fish as you would do in the summer months. Instead I opt for a very cautious approach. Hard pellets are by far the best bait here as far as I am concerned and it never ceases to amaze me how tuned into the noise of the pellets the fish are. For this reason I know I can simply tap in two or three pellets and expect a quick response.

I will usually target the margins from about the halfway point of the match, but if things are difficult I won't hesitate in having an early look. Ideally, though, the longer you can leave them with no bait, the better.

NOISE IS KEY

As I mentioned before, hard pellets are far and away the best bait on Phase 3. The 6mm Swim Stim pellets that must be used work well throughout the year. You don't need many and a small

The margins at Makins are full of undercut banks – perfect hidey holes for carp.

handful of pellets is enough for a five-hour match. Just two or three pellets fed from a slight height will have the desired effect of drawing in a fish and holding its attention long enough to catch it. Feeding too much will simply cause a build-up of bait on the bottom and actually ruin what you are trying to do.

MICRO POTS

Because the feeding needs to be so frugal, I have made my own tiny pots out of a bottle top, for which I make a lid with a tiny hole that is just big enough for one pellet at a time. This is key because I can count the pellets out of the pot to keep my feeding on a tight leash.

It is important to fix the pot right on to your pole tip; if it slides too far down, simply wrap a small piece of electrical tape around the pole tip to increase its diameter.

THICK TIPS

Fish are pretty cautious during the winter; they often remain 'on guard' all the way through a match and the slightest mistake could spook them and ruin your peg.

Foul hooking is often the biggest cause of this and anglers often go wrong when fishing for carp because they fish with float bristles that are way too fine. Now this is all well and good for F1s but carp are different. The last thing I want to do is strike at liners, so I use a thick-bristled float and leave plenty of it showing too. My choice is a Middy Carp Grey in a 4x12, which I have adapted slightly by trimming the bristle down, and also the stem. They are slightly too long for shallow water straight out of the box, but these alterations make them spot on.

HARD-PELLET PRESENTATION

I present my hard pellets in a slightly different way

Perfectly lip hooked – Stu's way of hooking pellets really does work.



A 50lb net of fish, all taken in the margins.

to the norm. Many anglers use either a band or a lasso and hair rig the pellet. While this can be good for fishing shallow, I tend to foul hook too many fish with this approach when fishing on the bottom. Instead I spend time at home tying fine, 0.08mm line around individual hard pellets and hook them on to a normal spade-end hook as you would any other bait. This can be a little tedious, but I think it really helps reduced the number of foul-hooked fish.

Once tied, I store the pellets in an old spice jar. This is important because you can't let damp get to them. I simply get a few out of the jar at a time.

TIME IT RIGHT

Today I have sat on Thames Pool at Makins. It's absolutely freezing but I am still confident of a decent result. The norm here is to catch a few early 'mug' fish across before having to move into the margins later on. Today, though, the fish aren't playing ball and after a fruitless hour by the island I am fearing the worst.

A quick look down the edge to my right and the response is instant. By feeding just two pellets at a time and by being patient I can catch a fish most puts in. It is pretty clear to me why; the fish are obviously comfortable in the margins and definitely prefer these deep undercuts to the island.

Bites seem to come in little bursts, and two-fish runs are the norm before more patience is required. Never do I up the feed if this isn't working, in my opinion the fish are not there.

I have ended with 50lb of margin fish. As a team we have just won the winter league here and I know that 50lb would be worth mega points and would also win you a few quid. The margins played a key role throughout the league and today, again, it has been the best line. **mf**

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A SQUARE PEG IN A ROUND HOLE?

Editor Alex Bones checks out Browning's latest flagship pole – the Xitan Z14-1 Advance...

Available in three package specifications, Browning's new pole, which I shall refer to as the Z14-1 for short, really does push the boundaries of pole manufacture. I wrote about the then flagship Z12 back in May 2012, so with big shoes to fill in the shape of that impressive model the boffins back at base knew there would be a number of things needed to secure the Z14-1's success.

My first introduction to the Z14-1 came while on a trip to Browning's European head office. After the

formalities my colleague and I were itching to get into the dedicated tackle showroom that was set up, displaying all of the new product lines. Alongside some hugely impressive rods and a number of other poles and other products that we'll be looking at throughout this year, sat this marvel.

There it was, with its minimalist gold and red graphics in the distinctly, unmistakable Xitan way.

Having been a labour of love for the team over a two-year period, it's a model that has received the utmost attention in today's ultra-competitive flagship pole world... and why not?

One of the key attributes of this model is the material – it utilises

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extensions! Yes, square!

Browning's thought process behind this design revelation was that when trapped underneath the forearm they allow for a more secure placement, rather than a round section that can often have a tendency to roll. This is particularly true at longer lengths and the three protectors are robust, yet lightweight. Supplied in four sizes to fit all pole sections on this model from the No5 onwards, I was actually very impressed with the way these work and they are far more practical than you might first believe.

What I also like is Browning's attention to detail with the various packages available – the Super Professional even includes a fully compatible 9.5m Xitan Xtreme margin pole! So, you can enter situations many can't safely, in the knowledge that you can put the Z14-1 sections up the back of the margin pole to follow any running fish!

A square peg in a round hole? Maybe when it comes to the pole-protector sections, but it's a perfect fit, regardless! Once again Browning is pushing the boundaries and raising the bar with this pole, not only in strength and usability but unique features too. Very, very impressive!

that the emphasis is focused on performance, not looks.

Made utilising the same long section mandrel as the Z12 you get a true-length 16m pole (without the need for an extension), with top kits supplied cut back and ready-bushed for ease. In fact, this model inherits the same advanced features as the Z12 alongside some all-new developments, including a new version of the two-hole side pulla top kits incorporating a directional PTFE bush to keep the elastic centrally aligned in the top kit. This is a clever piece of engineering that uses no moving parts, so there's nothing to wear or break over time.

There are also one-piece, 2m top kits available designed for fishing shallow, or in shallow water.

However, I've saved one of the best design features until last – the square pole protector/0.85m mini

a silica-impregnated carbon and resin, which is a first in pole manufacture.

Browning suggests that it's stiffer, lighter and stronger than the Z12, and I'd certainly not disagree. However, the key is that the silica-impregnation makes the pole more resistant to fracture if the sections are banged or knocked, ultimately making it more durable as a bankside tool, not just a showpiece. The subject of visual appeal is quite appropriate at this point as that emphasis has been put on keeping the use of paint to an absolute minimum to help save on weight. While the minimalist graphic design and smart colour scheme really does appeal to me, Browning is quite clear to point out

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PLAIN COMMON SENSE

Joe Carass tries out the Matrix SW Feeder hooks, a pattern with a clever strengthening feature that he can't believe hasn't been used before!

I can't wait for this time of the year. All of the trade shows have come to an end and slowly but surely the latest products from the various manufacturers are finding their way on to my desk for review.

As I write this, there are around 30 items of tackle in front of me at all kinds of price points. Of them all there was one product that really caught my eye, though, and I most wanted to try the Matrix SW Feeder hooks.

There is something of a natural-water revival at the moment. Although the rivers and canals will never be overflowing with anglers, there are a lot of matches on these venues and there is a definite buzz about the silver-fish scene.

I suppose nothing backs this up more than seeing the various tackle brands once again producing tackle for the natural-venue angler. Most of the innovation in recent times has been aimed towards carp, so it is nice to see things swing in the other direction for a change.

The SW Feeder hook, as the name suggests, is a pattern aimed at the feeder angler. It is what I would consider the classic feeder fishing shape, a wide-gaped pattern with a swept bend and beaked point. It is a shape I have used many times before, for both carp fishing and silver-fish work.

The one problem I have found in the past is that this shape of hook, when the wire diameter is decreased, can actually be quite

springy. Bumped fish can be common and quite often the hook point never actually penetrates the fish's mouth, such is the movement of the point.

Matrix has identified this problem and set about solving it, and what the boffins there have achieved is fantastic. By using a very specific area of forging, at the base of the shank and round the bend, they have managed to eradicate all of the springiness associated with this shape of hook. Key for me, though, is the upturn in strength, without the need to up the wire gauge. The hook may look

beefy, but it is only because of the way it has been forged.

As soon as you take one from the packet, you will be impressed. They are razor sharp and use a sensible barb that will keep bait damage to a minimum. But fundamentally it is all about that forging. These hooks are incredibly strong for their wire gauge and will certainly find a home in my hooklength box – not only for feeder work, but also as an all-

round silver-fish pattern.

This is a great concept and I can't wait to see if Matrix has any plans to implement this process across its barbless range of hooks. I can see it working well on fine commercial patterns, that's for sure.

In the meantime, though, give the SW Feeder hooks a try; they could well be game changers for you!

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The more expensive of the two is the Azuro X Four-Drawer Seatbox System, which boasts two shallow front drawers, one deep front drawer with lift-out tray, one extra-wide deep cross drawer with two lift-out trays, deluxe centre frame, 150mm (6in) detachable lightweight base, flat seat, six 25mm double-adjustable round legs, pivoting wide bar foot stand with two 16mm holes with two keepnet threaded tubes, two underseat winder trays containing 26 18mm winders, 16 underseat 27mm winders, underseat spirit level, padded shoulder strap and seatbox cover, all for £379.99.

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Kerry Solves It!

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Commercial silver-fish matches are rising in popularity, with anglers searching for plenty of winter bites. **Lee Kerry** is a master of these venues and shares his secrets for success.

Question

Dear Lee,

I have seen there is a surge of popularity recently for commercial silver-fish angling. This is something that really appeals to me, especially without pellets, so I would like to know some of the ideas and techniques you think about when fishing this way.

Robert Hull, Leics

Commercial waters can serve up some great silver-fish action.

Answer

Commercial fisheries have long been well populated with all sorts of silver fish. It was always a mystery to me, however, that only a handful of match anglers out there really were taking advantage of this sort of fishing.

In recent times, however, that seems to have changed. Maybe anglers have become bored with staring at a tip for five hours, or walking about while waiting for three bites. I know that that sort of match fishing doesn't really excite me, but when the float is going under and there is something to work at, especially on cold winter days, then this is something I really want to get out of bed for.

I think the first topic to cover is carp! Strange when we are talking about silver-fish angling, but many lakes still harbour stocks of carp that can really upset the silver-fish angler's rhythm. This, unfortunately, comes with the territory; well-stocked lakes will always have carp, so generally I look towards December, January and February for this type of fishing. This is because often the carp will then be balled up in the middle of the lake and not cause many problems.

This season I have fished some silver-fish matches in November, and although the fishing can be superb, carp can often spoil the party. It is amazing, however, what you can land on light tackle – maybe something to



Sweet or fishmeal? Why not combine the two?

think about on my next carp fishing trip! The bottom line is, you just have to deal with these interruptions and keep your focus, maybe moving lines, changing the feed pattern or actually feeding a carp line to keep them out of the way.

Now that we know carp can play a part in your day, the next logical step is to talk about feeding. For the purpose of this piece I am going to assume pellets are banned. Most silver-fish matches don't allow pellets, but there are of course some that do, and where allowed they must be considered as skimmers in particular love them.

My standard baits for silver matches revolve around natural baits such as maggots, worms, pinkies, casters and, where allowed, bloodworm and joker.

The first job is to try and work out combinations of these baits that work – consider which species to target, and where! Clarify this and you can start to decide which baits to use. My general rule is to target roach up to 10 to 11 metres, then skimmers and other

bonus fish at longer lengths. This is of course just a general rule, as every venue is different, and your best roach line may have to be at 14 metres.

One of the most important things to consider is your target weight. Winter matches don't always mean low weights, and I can rarely think of a commercial silver-fish match where I needed less than 15lb to 30lb to win, so targeting roach on a long pole means they would have to be coming thick and fast to achieve that. As I said before, don't rule it out, but on any new venue I always look to keep roach short and skimmers long if possible.

Commercial roach are no different to those found



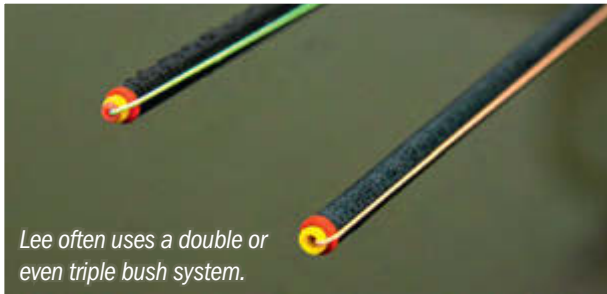
A fine groundbait mix is essential.

in rivers or lakes. They are shoal fish, and feed with the most confidence when the shoal is together. With this in mind I first of all think of where to target them.

My first thought is about distance. Going back to my comments about keeping the fish together in a shoal, it is no good fishing on a top kit, where the shoal is likely to feel uncomfortable and easily disturbed. Winter lakes often lose their usual murky water, and in order



Correct feeding is essential for these.



Lee often uses a double or even triple bush system.

to get a shoal of fish feeding confidently I generally don't come closer than five metres.

The next consideration is depth. If at five metres you have four feet, but at eight metres you have eight feet, then I can assure you the fish will feel much more comfortable, and be easier to catch in the deeper eight feet. I always like to carefully plumb around, then think about where the fish are likely to feel most comfortable on the day.

Today I am fishing at Barston Lakes, where the depth is around one metre on a top five, but the same all the way out to 16 metres. Again I want the roach to feed confidently, so rather than five metres, I have settled on 10 metres. This extra distance should give the fish a chance to settle and not be disturbed by any of my bankside actions.

It is important to remember that this line will be one of your main targets throughout the day, so the extra distance and confident shoal will allow you to take fish from this area all day. A 5m line may be good for the first 45 minutes, but could leave you biteless when the roach vanish to safer areas.

Once you have decided where to fish, the next consideration is bait. If I could only take one bait for commercial silvers it would be casters. The mighty shell accounts for a variety of species, but roach in particular are suckers for them. On natural venues, casters are often seen as a bait for bonus fish, but often commercial fisheries are full of better stamp roach, as well

With an average stamp like this, it is easy to see why Lee loves commercial silver-fish matches.

as perch, skimmers, tench and more, so casters allow you to target these, without so much attention from small fish. This is an important step towards being competitive on commercials; targeting the better fish is nearly always required to win, even if that means roach of 4oz rather than 1oz. These fish are fed all year round on anything from maggots to boilies, so with all this food going in there are always better fish to be had; the key is finding out how to catch them.

This is why casters play such an important role in my approach, not only as a hook bait, but also as feed. The best days always seem to be when they can be fed by hand, but again this isn't always possible, certainly not at 10 metres. The reason I think feeding by hand works so well is that we often feed once a fish is hooked. This gives the fish a chance to follow the casters down to the bottom, and be settled by the time we ship out again. This is much more difficult with a catapult, but where possible this is my favoured feed.

Where bloodworm and joker is allowed, that doesn't spell the end for the caster, though, far from it. But instead of loose feeding,

I have had far greater success mixing the casters in with my groundbait, soil and joker. In winter, I am convinced the best way to catch better fish is on the bottom. So my theory is that the joker draws the fish to the bottom to feed, where there is also a bed of casters mixed in waiting for those better fish.

The other thing to consider is that although this shorter line is designed to primarily target roach, doing so with a bait such as casters also gives the chance of bonus fish. Big perch, tench, crucians and bream all love casters, and are no strangers to a short line in the summer months, so by making a positive bait choice you also increase your chances of those match-winning fish.

Rigs for this line are, as always, kept nice and simple. I often hear people talking about strung-out rigs for this approach, and I can't deny that they always play a part in my approach. The difference with mine is that I don't like the rig taking a long time to settle. It is true you can catch fish on the drop, but for me the biggest fish always come on the bottom, and the purpose of the lighter strung-out rig is to create a steady fall in the final third. This way you

do get an odd fish on the drop, but often just after the rig settles, which makes me believe the bigger fish watch it settle on the bottom before taking it.

I also like this rig because it allows me to fish light. I won't hesitate to fish 4x12 in six feet of water. This can become a real advantage, as the bites in wintertime tend to be incredibly delicate. It is my belief that the fish suck the bait in without moving away, which results in tiny indications on the float. These are often big roach, so the light float helps show this up. Be careful, however, not to drop the shot down too small. I tend to use No10s, again because I want to help exaggerate the movement on the tip.

My other rig is much more positive. Sometimes there are too many small roach in the upper layers, and the strung-out rig just can't get through. This is when I set up my favourite bulk and two droppers, but again I keep the float as light as possible, say 0.5g in six feet of water as an example. The bulk will ensure the bait gets though to the bottom, but once there the light nature of the float certainly leads to more delicate bites showing up and big roach finding the net.



The other major consideration with rigs has to be lines and hooks. Just because you are on a commercial doesn't mean you need big lines and hooks. You are very unlucky if anything that counts is going to run off and break you, so with that in mind I tend to fish 0.08mm on my lighter rigs, and a maximum of 0.10mm on my bagging rigs. Even then, these are rarely required.

These light lines go hand in hand with balanced hooks and elastic. I only use one hook for my commercial silver-fish work, a PR 412. These hooks are light, but the rounded bend at the bottom seems to stay strong and doesn't flex. This is crucial as I will be swinging in roach all the time on a barbless hook, so any movement in the hook results in the fish dropping off. They also seem to get a great hook-hold, so bigger bream, F1s or tench stay put.

Light elastics also play a crucial role. I see people fishing for silvers on commercials with thick hollow elastics! You would never consider this on your local canal or river, so adapt. Single 4, 5 or 6 Original Slip elastic are my bankers, and if in doubt I always choose the lighter option; this leads to fewer bumped fish and doesn't drag fish to the top to splash around everywhere, disturbing the shoal.

With your 'banker' short approach now sorted, the next consideration is the longer line. For me, this line for commercial silver fish is all about bonus fish. These are bream, skimmers, and tench and, although the shorter line can throw these up, I look to specifically target them further out, away from the commotion caused by shoals of roach.

With this in mind I don't want to attract roach to this longer line, so my first thoughts are to fishmeal groundbaits. These are

proven big-fish catchers, and my favourite in winter is F1 Green. This dark-green mix works brilliantly for bream in particular, but all manner of fish will sit over it.

I have experimented for years with different ways of feeding fishmeal groundbaits, but my

standout approach has been to mix them with a little leam. First of all I overwet the F1 Green, ensuring all the particles are fully saturated. Once the water has been absorbed I add about a third of leam to the mix, which serves two purposes for me. Firstly, the

weight. Pellet-based mixes can be very light, so the leam ensures I know exactly where the bait has gone in, straight down to the bottom. Secondly, the leam has no food value, so the fish are searching through it all the time for a meal. Whatever the true reasons, I know it works, and is something I would not be without when targeting commercial silvers.

It is then important to consider what you feed on this line. You are purely targeting better fish, so baits such as corn, worms and dead maggots are my base. Even where allowed I don't always think using bloodworm and joker is the right thing to do, as I have usually fed this on the shorter line, and the longer line is purely for bonus fish. Of course, there are times when joker scores well for bonus fish too, but on venues full of silvers I much prefer to use bigger baits on this longer line.

Rigs for this are again very simple. The strung-out rig plays no part, but again balanced tackle and a float that takes a bulk and two droppers gives a neat presentation, yet shows up those delicate bites. Tench in particular sometimes barely move the float!

Today's session on Barston's fabulous Big Lake has proven once again the quality of silver-fish angling there is to be had on commercial venues. The weather has been absolutely freezing, to the point where I was thinking we may struggle for bites. In four hours, though, I have put together 35lb of silvers, including roach, perch and skimmers. There were loads of little tweaks and adjustments I had to make during the day to stay in touch with the fish, with casters on the hook giving me a great run later in the session and showing why this sort of fishing is now so popular, especially in the colder months! **mf**



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SILSTAR ULTIMATCH 3000 12m (1 x TOP KIT).....£599.....**£249**

SILSTAR ULTIMATCH 3000 13.5 (1 x TOP KIT).....£699.....**£299**

SILSTAR TAKTIO SUPERMATCH 12.5m (1 x TOP KIT).....£649.....**£149**

TRI-CAST LIBERATOR 12.5m (1 x TOP KIT).....£538.....**£279**

BROWNING GHOSTBUSTER 12.5m (1 x TOP KIT).....£599.....**£199**

SILSTAR ULTIMATCH 4000 12.0 (1 x TOP KIT).....£1085.....**£169**

SILSTAR ULTIMATCH 4000 13.5M (1 x TOP KIT).....£1295.....**£199**

ABU EXCELLENCE 14.5m.....£1200.....**£499**

MIDDY 003 FINESSE 13m.....£599.....**£299**

DRENNAN SERIES CARP 12.5m.....£449.....**£269**

TRABUCCO GOLD MEDALIST 2 16m (2 x TOP KITS).....£1499.....**£799**

TRABUCCO WORLD CLASS SUPER CARP 13m (1 x TOP KIT).....£499.....**£299**

TRANA ULTIMATE CARP 13M (3 x KITS).....£729.....**£399**

COLMIC GALATICA 16M (2 x KITS).....£1999.....**£599**

COLMIC ASTRA 16M (6 KITS).....£1999.....**£599**

FEBRUARY SPECIAL POLE SALE ALL POLES LISTED BELOW ARE £108 FOR 1 MONTH ONLY

GARBOLINO SINPER 12.5 (3 x KITS).....£329.....**£100**

MAVER REALITY MARGIN 8.5 (1 x KIT).....£175.....**£100**

SILSTAR EXECUTIVE CLASS 12.5M (1 x KIT).....£439.....**£100**

BROWNING GHOSTBUSTER 12.5M (1 x TOP KIT).....£599.....**£100**

BROWNING GT 4000 12.3M (1 x KIT).....£699.....**£100**

MILMO IMMOBILIZA 13M (2 x KITS).....£380.....**£100**

SHAKESPEARE LEXICON 12.5M (1 x KIT).....£700.....**£100**

SHAKESPEARE INDICATOR 12M (1 x KIT).....£700.....**£100**

SHAKESPEARE AL 2000 13M (1 x KIT).....£675.....**£100**

SILSTAR ULTIMATCH 3000 12M (1 x KIT).....£599.....**£100**

VALOUR CARP 2000 11M (1 x KIT).....£299.....**£100**

RODS & WHIPS TO CLEAR

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COLMIC SLIDER 5M.....£99.....**£49**

COLMIC SLIDER 6M.....£119.....**£59**

COLMIC KENDAL 8.2M (1 x TOP KIT) MARGIN POLE.....£199.....**£99**

COLMIC PRIMM 8.2M (1 x TOP KIT) MARGIN POLE.....£169.....**£89**

DAIWA VISA CARBON 6M.....£49.....**£35**

DAM STIPPY 4M.....£79.....**£49**

DAM CARBOMESH 7M EXT ONLY.....£69.....**£25**

GARBOLINO ANAGRA 3M.....£27.....**£15**

GARBOLINO RAFALE 3M.....£33.....**£21**

GARBOLINO RAFALE 3.3M.....£35.....**£23**

GARBOLINO SWIFITE 2.5M.....£55.....**£39**

GARBOLINO SWIFITE 3M.....£64.....**£45**

GARBOLINO SWIFITE 3.5M.....£69.....**£49**

MAVER THEMIA 5M.....£104.....**£74**

MAVER B20 6M (7/APART).....£179.....**£119**

MAVER STEALTH 2M.....£32.....**£19**

MAVER STEALTH 3M.....£40.....**£24**

MAVER VEGA 3M.....£35.....**£21**

MILDO AZZURINA 2.1M.....£49.....**£28**

MILDO AZZURINA 2.4M.....£54.....**£29**

MITCHELL 6M 7/APART.....£129.....**£69**

REAKT CARBON TELE WHIP 3M.....£24.....**£12**

SHAKESPEARE HI-CARBON 7M.....£144.....**£89**

SHAKESPEARE HI-CARBON 6M.....£129.....**£79**

SHAKESPEARE TELE 5.2M.....£49.....**£29**

SHAKESPEARE TELE 4.5M.....£45.....**£27**

TRABUCCO SPEEDMASTER 2.4M.....£49.....**£29**

RODS (FLOAT)

ABU GARCIA.....RRP.....**0/P**

CONVOLIN MATCH 13'.....£189.....**£99**

ULTRA CAST MATCH POWER 13'.....£129.....**£69**

ULTRA CAST MATCH 13'.....£129.....**£69**

AMBASSADEUR ELITE MATCH 14'.....£179.....**£109**

RENEGADE MATCH 14'.....£139.....**£79**

RENEGADE SPECIALIST FLOAT 13'3".....£139.....**£79**

ESPRIT MATCH POWER 13'.....£119.....**£69**

MAO DOMINATOR MATCH 13'.....£79.....**£45**

SIRIUS MATCH 13'.....£89.....**£49**

SIRIUS MATCH 14'.....£99.....**£55**

SEGRA MATCH POWER 13'.....£139.....**£79**

EQUALISER MATCH 13'.....£69.....**£39**

EQUALISER MATCH POWER 13'.....£69.....**£39**

PHAZER MATCH 13'.....£69.....**£39**

PHAZER MATCH POWER 13'.....£69.....**£39**

TRANSMITTER MATCH 13'.....£89.....**£49**

ENTICER MATCH 12'.....£53.....**£39**

ENTICER MATCH 13'.....£59.....**£39**

DAM RODS.....RRP.....**0/P**

FIGHTER MATCH 13'.....£35.....**£19**

DAIWA

SENSOR Z 13' MATCH.....£59.....**£39**

TOZM 14' POWER.....£89.....**£59**

TOURNAMAX 13' WAGGLER.....£75.....**£49**

THEORY PELLET WAGGLER 11'.....£150.....**£89**

THEORY WAGGLER 12'.....£160.....**£95**

THEORY WAGGLER 13'.....£170.....**£99**

VERTICE X POWER MATCH 13'.....£55.....**£37**

CONNOISSEUR 12' WAGGLER.....£275.....**£175**

YANK 'N' BANK 13' POWER FLOAT.....£130.....**£69**

LEEDA RODS

POWERHOUSE X WAGGLER 13'.....£129.....**£59**

BLUE DIAMOND MATCH CARP 13'6".....£199.....**£79**

MERIT MATCH CARP WAGGLER 13'.....£89.....**£39**

GENERATION X MATCH 14'.....£139.....**£69**

GENERATION MATCH 13' HOLLOW.....£129.....**£59**

ZOO CREATURE CARP WAGGLER 13'.....£100.....**£49**

POWERHOUSE CARP WAGGLER 13'.....£90.....**£39**

SHAKESPEARE

AERIAL MATCH 13'.....£95.....**£59**

FLAVIA MATCH 13'.....£100.....**£69**

ONSET MATCH 13'.....£69.....**£49**

OPTIMA MATCH 13'.....£46.....**£33**

MACH 2 COMMERCIAL FLOAT 13'.....£65.....**£40**

MACH 1 XT PELLET WAGGLER 11'.....£45.....**£34**

MACH 2 13' MATCH.....£65.....**£40**

BROWNING

BLACK MAGIC 13' CARP MATCH.....£179.....**£79**

ACCESS MATCH 13'.....£79.....**£45**

CLUB CARP MATCH 13'.....£89.....**£39**

AGGRESSOR POWER MATCH 13'.....£179.....**£79**

MITCHELL

SPECIAL MATCH 13'.....£69.....**£49**

CHALLENGE MATCH 14'.....£99.....**£49**

PRESTIGE MATCH 13'.....



PRODUCTS



POLES

NEW SIGNATURE 1000 16M (9 x KITS)	£2430	£3250
NEW SIGNATURE 800 16M (9 x KITS)	£2430	£1800
NEW SIGNATURE 600 16M (9 x KITS)	£2430	£1800
NEW SIGNATURE 400 16M (9 x KITS)	£2430	£1800
NEW ELITE CARP 4 16M (8 x KITS)	£2400	£2000
NEW ELITE CARP 3 16M (8 x KITS)	£2150	£1600
NEW ELITE CARP 2 14.5M (8 x KITS)	£2000	£1200
NEW ELITE CARP 2 13M (8 x KITS)	£1350	£1000
NEW ELITE CARP 1 14.5M (6 x KITS)	£1200	£900
NEW ELITE CARP 1 13M (6 x KITS)	£1075	£800
NEW ENIGMA SERIES 1 16M (4 x KITS)	£1065	£635
NEW ENIGMA SERIES 2 16M (4 x KITS)	£2200	£1600
RETRIBUTION SX CARP 14.5M (4 x KITS)	£2800	£2400
GRIM REAPER SX 13M (3 x KITS)	£535	£349
REPECT 13M (2 x KITS)	£400	£245
STRONG ARM 11M	£185	£129
ABYSS X 9.5M	£70	£49
THEMA 9M MARGIN (1 x KITS)	£155	£94
POWERLITE 9M MARGIN (2 x KITS)	£200	£135

MAVER CLEARANCE POLES

REALITY MARGIN 8.5M (1 x KIT)	£175	£139
METALLICA 14.5M (2 x TOP KITS)	£725	£399
B31 14.5M (1 x TOP KIT)	£1849	£999
COMPETITION MATCH THIS 4 PLUS 16M (9 x KITS)	£1887	£999
COMPETITION MATCH THIS 5 PLUS 16M (9 x KITS)	£2300	£1249
COMPETITION MATCH THIS 6 PLUS 16M (9 x KITS)	£2535	£1699
GRIM REAPER X 13M (4 x TOP KITS)	£2535	£2099
APOLYPSIS 11.25M (1 x KIT)	£200	£169
APOLYPSIS 13M (3 x KITS)	£300	£249
MATCH THIS 5 SX 16M (9 x KITS)	£2267	£1299
MATCH THIS 6 SX 16M (9 x KITS)	£3000	£1699
SATINIC CARP 13M (3 x KITS)	£534	£369
INVINCIBLE MARGIN 9.5M (1 x KITS)	£400	£249
SUPER TAPER SECTION (HTS MEDUSA - MESSIAH - X RANGE POLES, SUPER POWER & DELIVERANCE II)	£100	£39

MAVER POLE EXTENSIONS & KITS

UNIVERSAL LONG BASE POWER KIT	£47	£42
SUPER TAPER SECTION	£100	£59
COMPETITION SERIES SHORT NO.4	£80	£72
UNIVERSAL CUPPING KIT AND CUPS	£50	£45
POWER KIT EXT	£30	£27
NEW COMPETITION SLOTTED POWER KIT	£75	£68
NEW POWER KIT SLOTTED POWER KIT	£90	£72
NEW ELITE SHORPOWER KIT (SLOTTED)	£90	£72
NEW ELITE FIGHTING NO.5 SECTION	£90	£72
NEW ELITE FIGHTING NO.6 SECTION	£90	£72
NEW ELITE FIGHTING NO.7 SECTION	£90	£72

FLOAT RDS

REACTORLITE 12" MATCH PELLET WAGGLER	£165
REACTORLITE MATCH 11"	£180
REACTORLITE MATCH 12"	£215
REACTORLITE 15/18" MATCH	£110
NEW ELITE MATCH 10"	£120
NEW ELITE MATCH 11"	£125
NEW ELITE MATCH 12"	£135
NEW POWERLITE SX MATCH 10" PELLET WAGGLER	£85
NEW POWERLITE SX MATCH 11" PELLET WAGGLER	£85
NEW POWERLITE SX MATCH 12" PELLET WAGGLER	£100
NEW POWERLITE SX MATCH 13" PELLET WAGGLER	£115
NEW POWERLITE SX MATCH 15/17"	£100
NEW POWERLITE SX COMMERCIAL COMBO 12"	£65
GENESIS BLACK ICE MATCH 10" PELLET (2 PIECE)	£70
GENESIS BLACK ICE MATCH 12" PELLET (2 PIECE)	£67
GENESIS BLACK ICE MATCH 13" (3 PIECE)	£75
GENESIS BLACK ICE COMMERCIAL COMBO 12"	£80
GENESIS BLACK ICE EXTREME MATCH 15"	£110
ABYSS 2000 13" MATCH	£110
ABYSS 2000 14" MATCH	£110
ABYSS 2000 15" MATCH	£110
GENESIS BLACK ICE 12" READY ROD MATCH (2 PIECE) (A1415)	£70
ENCOUNTER MATCH 13"	£70
ABYSS X MATCH PELLET 10" (2 PIECE)	£35
ABYSS X MATCH PELLET 11" (2 PIECE)	£37
ABYSS X MATCH PELLET 12" (2 PIECE)	£40
ABYSS X MATCH 12" (3 PIECE)	£40
ABYSS X MATCH 13" (3 PIECE)	£43
ABYSS X MATCH 14" (3 PIECE)	£47
POWERLITE MATCH 11" (PELLET)	£95
POWERLITE MATCH 12" (PELLET)	£110
POWERLITE MATCH 13"	£110
POWERLITE MATCH 15/17"	£115

LEAD RDS

REACTORLITE 9" MULTI TIP	£150
REACTORLITE 10" FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£170
REACTORLITE 12" READY ROD FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£180
NEW ELITE 10" FEEDER	£115
NEW ELITE 11" FEEDER	£120
NEW ELITE 12" FEEDER	£125
NEW POWERLITE SX FEEDER SYSTEM 11/12/13"	£215
NEW POWERLITE SX 8 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£77
NEW POWERLITE SX 9 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£80
NEW POWERLITE SX 11 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£90
NEW POWERLITE SX 12 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£97
NEW POWERLITE SX 13 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£100
NEW POWERLITE SX 15 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£110
NEW POWERLITE SX 17 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£125
NEW POWERLITE SX 19 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£135
NEW POWERLITE SX 21 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£145
NEW POWERLITE SX 23 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£155
NEW POWERLITE SX 25 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£165
NEW POWERLITE SX 27 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£175
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NEW POWERLITE SX 371 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£1895
NEW POWERLITE SX 373 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£1905
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NEW POWERLITE SX 385 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£1965
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NEW POWERLITE SX 699 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£3535
NEW POWERLITE SX 701 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£3545
NEW POWERLITE SX 703 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£3555
NEW POWERLITE SX 705 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£3565
NEW POWERLITE SX 707 FEEDER (2 PIECE)	£3

SHIMANO

POLES

ASPIRE ULTRA AX 16m (9 x TOP KITS)	£4999	£2199
SUPER ULTEGRA 16m (7 x TOP KITS)	£1999	£1179
BEASTMASTER AX COMMERCIAL 16m (7 x KITS)	£1499	£979
EXAGE BX ALLROUND 14.5m (4 x KITS)	£650	£450
EXAGE CX13m (4 x TOP KITS)	£750	£390
TECHNIM ALLROUND 13m (3 x TOP KITS)	£499	£269
CATANA ALLROUND 13m (1 x KITS)	£350	£219
BEASTMASTER MARGIN 8.5m (1 x TOP KIT)	£280	£159
BEASTMASTER MARGIN 10m (1 x TOP KIT)	£350	£219
BEASTMASTER MARGIN EXTREME 4m	£55	£29
SUPER ULTEGRA (SET 5 WHIPS)	£162	£119

FLOAT RODS

SPEEDCAST MATCH 13'	£250	£169
SPEEDCAST MATCH 14'	£260	£179
SPEEDCAST MATCH 15'	£270	£189
SPEEDCAST MATCH 15' POWER	£280	£199
SUPER ULTEGRA AX MATCH 13'	£230	£139
SUPER ULTEGRA AX MATCH 14'	£210	£119
SUPER ULTEGRA MATCH AX 15' POWER	£230	£165
BEASTMASTER MATCH 13'	£145	£93
BEASTMASTER MATCH 14'	£150	£103
AEROS MATCH 13'	£115	£77
AEROS MATCH 14'	£120	£86
AEROS MATCH 15'	£125	£90
AEROS TELE MATCH 13'	£120	£77
AEROS TELE MATCH 14'	£130	£86
AEROS TELE MATCH 15'	£135	£90
AEROS TELE MATCH 15' POWER	£135	£90
VENGEANCE FLOAT 12'	£71	£51
VENGEANCE FLOAT 13'	£78	£56
VENGEANCE FLOAT 14'	£82	£59
CATANA CX FLOAT 12'	£95	£65
CATANA CX FLOAT 13'	£100	£69
VENGEANCE AX MATCH 13'	£75	£52
VENGEANCE AX MATCH 14'	£80	£56
VENGEANCE AX TELE MATCH 13'	£75	£52
VENGEANCE AX TELE MATCH 14'	£80	£56
VENGEANCE AX TELE MATCH 14' POWER	£85	£60
ALVIO CX MATCH 12'	£70	£43
ALVIO CX MATCH 12'	£75	£46
ALVIO CX MATCH 14'	£80	£48

FEEDER RODS

FIREBLOOD MEDIUM FEEDER 12'	£340	£219
FIREBLOOD HEAVY FEEDER 13'	£350	£226
FIREBLOOD MULTI HEAVY FEEDER 12/13'	£390	£240
FIREBLOOD X HEAVY FEEDER 13'	£400	£251
SPEEDCAST FEEDER 12' (600)	£230	£169
SPEEDCAST FEEDER 13' (900)	£270	£189
SPEEDCAST FEEDER 14' (1200)	£290	£200

SPEEDCAST FEEDER 14' (1500)	£290	£200
SPEEDCAST FEEDER 14'6" (1800)	£310	£207
SPEEDCAST MEDIUM FEEDER 12/13'	£280	£194
SUPER ULTEGRA FEEDER 11' (600)	£170	£120
SUPER ULTEGRA FEEDER 12' (900)	£180	£133
SUPER ULTEGRA FEEDER 13' (1200)	£220	£159
SUPER ULTEGRA FEEDER 14' (1500)	£250	£169
SUPER ULTEGRA FEEDER 14' (1500)	£260	£180
BEASTMASTER CX LIGHT FEEDER 11'	£130	£86
BEASTMASTER CX MEDIUM FEEDER 12'	£140	£95
BEASTMASTER CX HEAVY FEEDER 13'	£150	£103
BEASTMASTER CX EX HEAVY FEEDER 13'	£175	£124
BEASTMASTER CX EX HEAVY FEEDER 14'	£195	£137
BEASTMASTER CX MULTI MED FEEDER 11/12'	£155	£103
BEASTMASTER CX MULTI HEAVY FEEDER 12/14'	£175	£124
BEASTMASTER CX MULTI LIGHT FEEDER 9/11'	£135	£86
BEASTMASTER CX CARP FEEDER 12'	£150	£103
AEROS FEEDER 11' (600)	£115	£77
AEROS FEEDER 12' (900)	£120	£82
AEROS FEEDER 13' (1200)	£125	£86
AEROS FEEDER 14' (1500)	£145	£99
AEROS FEEDER 14' (1500)	£150	£103
AEROS MULTI FEEDER 12/13' (900)	£150	£103
AEROS MULTI FEEDER 13/14' (1200)	£155	£107
AEROS TELEFEEDER 12' (600)	£125	£82
AEROS TELEFEEDER 13' (900)	£135	£86
ALVIO CX FEEDER LIGHT 11'	£55	£35
ALVIO CX FEEDER MEDIUM 12'	£63	£42
ALVIO CX FEEDER HEAVY 13'	£65	£43
ALVIO CX FEEDER EXTRA HEAVY 14'	£85	£56
SUPER ULTEGRA WINKLEPICKER 8/9'	£175	£116
AEROS WINKLEPICKER 8'	£90	£60
AEROS WINKLEPICKER 9'	£95	£65
VENGEANCE WINKLEPICKER 9'	£60	£39

COMMERCIAL RANGE OF RODS

SPEEDMASTER 9/11' FEEDER	£210	£145
BEASTMASTER BX 9/11' PELLET WAGGLER	£140	£95
BEASTMASTER BX 11' 6" PELLET WAGGLER	£140	£95
BEASTMASTER BX POWER PELLET 12' WAGGLER	£140	£95
BEASTMASTER BX 9/11' FEEDER	£160	£107
BEASTMASTER BX 11'6" FEEDER	£160	£107
FORCEMASTER 10' FLOAT	£55	£30
FORCEMASTER 11' FLOAT	£60	£35
FORCEMASTER 12' FLOAT	£65	£39
FORCEMASTER 10' FEEDER	£55	£30
FORCEMASTER 11' FEEDER	£60	£35
FORCEMASTER 12' DISTANCE FEEDER	£65	£39

SPECIMEN REELS

BATRUNNER X-AERO 6000 RA	£240	£163
BATRUNNER X-AERO 8000 RA	£245	£167
BATRUNNER X-AERO 10000 RA	£250	£171
BATRUNNER XT 6000 RB	£150	£112
BATRUNNER XT 8000 RB	£155	£116

BATRUNNER XT 10000 RB	£170	£120
BATRUNNER DL 2500 FA	£95	£63
BATRUNNER DL 4000 FA	£105	£71
BATRUNNER DL 6000 RA	£110	£73
BATRUNNER DL 10000 RA	£115	£77
BATRUNNER ST 2500 FB	£55	£37
BATRUNNER ST 4000 FB	£60	£32
BATRUNNER ST 6000 RB	£80	£54
BATRUNNER ST 10000 RB	£85	£56
BATRUNNER X-AERO 2500 FA	£180	£124
BATRUNNER X-AERO 4000 FA	£200	£129
BATRUNNER C14+ LONGCAST (MEDIUM)	£360	£245
BATRUNNER C14+ LONGCAST (LARGE)	£380	£259
BATRUNNER XTA LONGCAST (MEDIUM)	£250	£139
BATRUNNER XTA LONGCAST (LARGE)	£260	£149

MATCH REELS FRONT DRAG

SUSTAN 2500 FG	£310	£199
SUSTAN 4000 FG	£330	£209
BIOMASTER 2500 FB	£280	£175
BIOMASTER 3000 SFB	£295	£189
BIOMASTER 4000 FB	£305	£195
STRADIC 2500 FJ	£185	£124
STRADIC 3000 FJ	£190	£129
STRADIC 4000 FJ	£200	£137
TECHNIM 2500 FC	£155	£107
TECHNIM 3000 SFC	£160	£112
TECHNIM 4000 FD	£170	£116
VANQUISH 3000F	£560	£339
VANQUISH 4000F	£570	£349
RAPEXIM C14 2500 FB	£230	£154
RAPEXIM C14 3000 SFB	£240	£163
RAPEXIM C14 4000 FB	£250	£171
STRADIC C14 2500 FA	£225	£150
STRADIC C14 3000 FA	£235	£159
STRADIC C14 4000 FA	£245	£169
AR-CARO C14 4000 FA	£280	£139

REAR DRAG

STRADIC GT 2500 RC	£140	£95
STRADIC GT 3000 SRC	£145	£99
STRADIC GTM 4000SRC	£150	£103
SUPER GT 2500 RC	£115	£77
SUPER GT 3000 SRC	£120	£82
SUPER GT 4000 RC	£125	£86
EXAGE 2500 RC	£75	£49
EXAGE 3000 SRC	£75	£49
EXAGE 4000 RC	£80	£52
EXAGE 2500 RC/DH (double handle)	£75	£49
EXAGE 3000 SRC/DH (Match)	£80	£52
EXAGE 4000 RC/DH (double handle)	£80	£50
NEXAVE 2500 RC	£53	£33
NEXAVE 3000 SRC	£53	£33
NEXAVE 4000 RC	£57	£34
CATANA 2500 RB	£45	£26
CATANA 3000 SFB	£45	£26
CATANA 4000 RB	£48	£28

DISCONTINUED RODS TO CLEAR

BEASTMASTER AX COMMERCIAL 12' FLOAT	£139	£79
BEASTMASTER AX COMMERCIAL 13' FLOAT	£149	£89
BEASTMASTER AX COMMERCIAL 9/11' PELLET	£169	£109
BEASTMASTER AX COMMERCIAL 11'6" PELLET	£169	£109
BEASTMASTER AX COMMERCIAL 12'6" PELLET	£179	£119
COMPRE MATCH 13' SPECIMEN	£149	£79
SUPER ULTEGRA 12' MED FEEDER	£200	£119

DISCONTINUED REELS TO CLEAR

NEXAVE 4000 FC	£58	£32
NEXAVE 3000 SFC	£55	£30
NEXAVE 2500 FC	£53	£29
SUPER GTM 4000 RC	£120	£84
SUPER GTM 3000 SRC	£100	£77
TECHNIM 4000 FC	£150	£79
TECHNIM 3000 SFC	£160	£85
NEXAVE 10000 FB	£89	£49
STRADIC C14 3000 F	£220	£119
EXAGE 4000 FC	£75	£45
SUPER BATRUNNER XTR 6000 RA	£200	£109
SUPER BATRUNNER XTR 8000 RA	£210	£115
SUPER BATRUNNER XTR 10000 RA	£215	£119
NASC 3000 C	£89	£39

LINES

TECHNIM MATCH + BOLD (300m)	£9 EACH
4lb - 5lb - 10lb	3 FOR £25 - 5 FOR £39
TECHNIM TOURNAMENT BULK SPOOLS	
8lb 170yds	£35 EACH
12lb 107yds	2 FOR £59 - 4 FOR £96
15lb 82yds	
ANTARES SILK SHOCK (50m)	
14 5.4lb	
16 6.7lb	
20 8.8lb	
12 4.1lb	

ANTARES SILK SHOCK (150m)

10 2.8lb	18 7.7lb
12 4.1lb	20 9.4lb
14 5.4lb	22 11.8lb
16 6.7lb	25 14.9lb

ULTEGRA SILK SHOCK 50m

08 .11 .14 .18 .22 .25	£6 EACH
	3 FOR £16 - 5 FOR £24

NEW LANDING NET HANDLES

BEASTMASTER AX 3M	£110	£73
BEASTMASTER AX 4.5M	£140	£95
CATANA AX 3M	£55	£37
CATANA AX 4M	£70	£50

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FLOAT RODS

CARP MATCH WAGGLER 12'	£35	£25
CARP MATCH WAGGLER 13'	£35	£25

FLOAT RODS TO CLEAR

BLUE DIAMOND MATCH CARP 13'6"	£199	£79
BLUE DIAMOND MATCH HOLLOW 13'6"	£199	£79
BLUE DIAMOND MATCH HOLLOW 15'6"	£219	£89
GENERATION X MATCH 14'	£139	£69
GENERATION MATCH 13'	£129	£59
ASSASSIN II COMBI FLOAT 13/15'	£90	£49
ASSASSIN II METHOD BAGGIN WAGGLER 13'	£139	£69
ASSASSIN II MATCH CARP WAGGLER 13'	£139	£69
ASSASSIN II THROUGH ACTION 13' MATCH	£139	£69
MERIT MATCH WAGGLER 13'	£89	£39
ZOO CREATURE CARP WAGGLER 13'	£100	£49
POWERHOUSE CARP WAGGLER 13'	£90	£39
POWERHOUSE X WAGGLER 13'	£129	£59
DUO MATCH CARP WAGGLER (TWIN TOP) 13/3'	£189	£79
CONCEPT MATCH CARP 12'	£79	£39
CONCEPT MATCH CARP 13'	£89	£45
OBSESSION MATCH 13'	£89	£49

OBSESSION DE LUXE MATCH 13'	£129	£59
2XL MATCH WAGGLER 13'	£49	£29
2XL MATCH CARP WAGGLER 13'	£49	£29
LEEDA 2000 13' FLOAT	£49	£29
LEEDA 3000 13' FLOAT	£59	£35
LEEDA DOMINATOR MATCH 13'	£59	£35

LEAD AND FEEDER RODS TO CLEAR

CARP MATCH TWIN TOP 11'6"	£49	£29
GENERATION X MED FEEDER 12'	£139	£69
GENERATION X METHOD FEEDER 13'	£139	£69
GENERATION FEEDER 11'6"	£139	£69
GENERATION BOMB/LIGHT FEEDER 11' 4"	£129	£69
ASSASSIN CARP FEEDER 12'	£100	£49
ASSASSIN III FEEDER 12'	£100	£59
ZOO CREATURE POWER CARP FEEDER 12'6"	£129	£69
ZOO CREATURE DRAYTON METHOD FEEDER 13'	£149	£79
CONCEPT MED/HEAVY FEEDER 12'	£79	£39
IKON CARP FEEDER 12'	£129	£59
IKON POWER METHOD FEEDER 13'	£139	£69
MERIT MATCH CARP FEEDER 12'	£69	£39
POWERHOUSE MULTI TIP METHOD FEEDER 12'	£90	£49
2XL POWER CARP FEEDER 12'	£59	£35
2XL MED FEEDER 11'	£59	£35
LEEDA 6000 11'4" BOMB	£119	£59

POLES

XGT ADVANCED 11M (1 X KIT)	£140	£109
POWERHOUSE STILLWATER CARP 12.5M	£350	£159
POWERHOUSE HIT-N-HOLD MARGIN 5.2M	£89	£49
DUO 12.5M (3 X KITS)	£499	£199
TRIUMPHANT POWER CARP 10M	£159	£79
TRIUMPHANT POWER CARP 7M	£79	£49
GENERATION 12.4M (1 X KIT)	£799	£249
OBSESSION 10.5M	£169	£79

SPECIALIST RODS TO CLEAR

SPECIALIST PIKE 2 3/4 T/C 12'	£129	£59
MARVIC PIKE 2 3/4 T/C 12'	£129	£59
LEEDA PREDATOR 3LB T/C 12'	£99	£49
LEEDA PREDATOR 3 3LB T/C 12'	£129	£59
LEEDA SPECIALIST PIKE 2 3/4 T/C 12'	£99	£49
WYCHWOOD REACTION CARP 3LB T/C 12'	£99	£59
LEEDA CARP 2 3/4 T/C 12'	£49	£33
LEEDA CARP ATTACK 2 3/4 T/C 12'	£59	£35
LEEDA 2XL SPECIALIST CARP 2 3/4 T/C 11'	£39	£29
LEEDA SPECIALIST CARP 2 3/4 T/C 12'	£119	£59
LEEDA 3000 SERIES CARP 2 3/4 T/C 11'	£59	£35
KINGFISHER CARP 11'	£39	£25
OBSESSION SPECIALIST CARP 2 3/4 12'	£75	£39

WYCHWOOD SPECIMEN REELS

SOLACE COMPACT BIG PIT 55 RDS	£100	£69
SOLACE BIG PIT 65 RDS	£100	£69

SOLACE BIG PIT 55 FS	£100	£69
SOLACE BIG PIT 65 FS	£100	£69
SOLACE 10 FREESPOOL BATRUNNER	£90	£65
SOLACE 6 FREESPOOL BATRUNNER	£60	£49
DISPATCH 7500 BIG PIT	£70	£49
RIOT BIG PIT 65	£65	£39
RIOT BIG PIT 75	£70	£45

DEEPER SMART FISHFINDER

DEEP SMART FISH FINDER KIT, FIND OUT WHERE THOSE SPECIMENS LIE	
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£170

WYCHWOOD BIVVIES

MAP

MAP POLES FOR 2014

TKS 901 16M (13 X KITS).....	£5999	£2879
TKS 801 16M (10 X KITS).....	£2800	£2179
TKS 701 16M (9 X KITS).....	£2300	£1739
TKS 601 16M (7 X KITS).....	£1999	£1329
TKS 501 16M (5 X KITS).....	£1400	£829
TKS 401 14.5M (5 X KITS).....	£1049	£649
TKS 301 14.5M (4 KITS).....	£849	£529
TKS 201 13M (3 X KITS).....	£650	£389
TKS 101 13M (2 X KITS).....	£550	£299
TKS CARP 1 13M (2X KITS).....	£500	£379
TKS CARP 2 13M (3X KITS).....	£650	£569
TKS CARP MARGIN 1 5.6M.....	£90	£81
TKS CARP MARGIN 2 5.6M.....	£90	£81
TKS POWER MARGIN 8.5M.....	£170	£139
TKS POWER MARGIN 10M.....	£230	£189

MAP POLES TO CLEAR

TKS 425 14.5M (5 X KITS).....	£700	£499
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MAP FLOAT RODS

PARABOLIX 13' LIGHT WAGGLER.....	£170	£136
PARABOLIX 13' MED WAGGLER.....	£190	£152
PARABOLIX 11' PELLET WAGGLER.....	£180	£144
PARABOLIX 12' PELLET WAGGLER.....	£190	£152

MAP FLOAT RODS TO CLEAR

MATCHTEK SPECIMEN MATCH 13'.....	£100	£59
MATCHTEK COMMERCIAL CARP COMBI 13'/17'.....	£150	£89
MAP CONCEPT MATCH 13'.....	£160	£89
CARPTEK WAGGLER NO.2.....	£100	£59
MAP POWER WAGGLER 13'.....	£140	£89
MAP CARPTEK CARP WAGGLER.....	£140	£89
CFS MED/POWER WAGGLER 12'.....	£100	£49
CFS MED/POWER WAGGLER 13'.....	£100	£49

MAP FEEDER RODS

PARABOLIX 8' F1 BOMB.....	£140	£112
PARABOLIX 9' F1 BOMB.....	£150	£120
PARABOLIX 10' BOMB.....	£160	£128
PARABOLIX 11' FEEDER.....	£170	£136
PARABOLIX 12' FEEDER.....	£170	£136

MAP FEEDER RODS TO CLEAR

MATCHTEK POWER FEEDER 12'/13'.....	£150	£89
MATCHTEK STILLWATER FEEDER 12'.....	£140	£79

PRODUCTS

MATCHTEK MULTI FEEDER 11'/12'/13'.....	£160	£89
CARPTEK STILLWATER CARP FEEDER 12'/13'.....	£170	£89
CARPTEK POWER FEEDER/RIVER COMBO 13'.....	£170	£99
CONCEPT BIG RIVER METHOD 13'.....	£140	£79
CFS CARP FEEDER 12'.....	£99	£49
MAP G/B FEEDER 11' LIGHT/MED.....	£150	£79
MAP G/B FEEDER 12'/13' LIGHT/MED.....	£160	£89

MAP REELS

MAP ACS 4000 BATRUNNER.....	£70	£56
CARPTEK ACS 3000 FD.....	£50	£40
CARPTEK ACS 4000 FD.....	£50	£40
CARPTEK ACS 4000 FD BATRUNNER.....	£50	£40
MAP P3000 FD.....	£90	£72
MAP P4000 FD.....	£90	£72

MAP LUGGAGE

MAP READY KIT CASE.....	£140	£112
DUAL 8 TUBE / 4 READY ROD HOLDALL.....	£80	£64
DUAL 6 TUBE / 3 READY ROD HOLALL.....	£70	£56
DUAL RIGID DOUBLE ROD SLEEVE.....	£45	£36
DUAL CARRYALL.....	£40	£32
DUAL BAIT & COOL BAG.....	£30	£24
DUAL BAIT & TACKLE BAG.....	£30	£24
DUAL TWIN TIER ACCESSORY BAG.....	£35	£28
DUAL ACCESSORY BAG (SMALL).....	£8	
DUAL ACCESSORY BAG (LARGE).....	£9	
DUAL REEL CASE.....	£7	
DUAL FEEDER BAG.....	£13.50	
EVA COMPLETE BAIT SET.....	£35	£28
EVA STINK BAG (SINGLE).....	£27	£22
EVA STINK BAG (XL).....	£35	£28
EVA BAIT COMPARTMENT (SMALL).....	£4	
EVA BAIT COMPARTMENT (MED).....	£6	
EVA BAIT COMPARTMENT (LARGE).....	£7	
EVA GROUNDBAIT BOWL (SMALL).....	£7	
EVA GROUNDBAIT BOWL (LARGE).....	£8.50	
EVA GROUNDBAIT BOWL WITH LID (SMALL).....	£10	
EVA GROUNDBAIT BOWL WITH LID (LARGE).....	£11	

KEEPPNETS - LANDING NETS - HANDLES

DUAL 3M LANDING NET HANDLE.....	£50	£40
PARABOLIX 4M LANDING NET HANDLE.....	£100	£79
COMMERCIAL CARP KEEPNET 3M.....	£50	£40

COMMERCIAL SILVER KEEPNET 3M.....	£50	£40
SUPSTREAM KEEPNET 3M (RIVER).....	£46	£37
MAP F1 LIGHTWEIGHT LANDING NET 12'.....	£13	
MAP F1 LIGHTWEIGHT LANDING NET 14'.....	£14	
MAP SHAKE DRY LANDING NET 12'.....	£11	
MAP SHAKE DRY LANDING NET 16'.....	£13	
MAP SHAKE DRY LANDING NET 18'.....	£14	
MAP SILVER FISH LANDING NET 14'.....	£11	
MAP SILVER FISH LANDING NET 16'.....	£13	
MAP SILVER FISH LANDING NET 18'.....	£14	
MAP HAIR RIGGER LANDING NET 16'.....	£14	
MAP HAIR RIGGER LANDING NET 18'.....	£16	
MAP SCOOP RUBBER LANDING NET 16'.....	£13	
MAP SCOOP RUBBER LANDING NET 18'.....	£14	

MAP FLAT V POLE ROLLERS

FLAT V POLE ROLLER.....	£65	£52
DOUBLE FLAT V POLE ROLLER.....	£75	£59

MAP ULTIMATE HOOK LENGTH STORAGE BOXES

DUAL HOOKLENGTH BOX.....	£15	£12
STANDARD HOOKLENGTH BOX.....	£20	£16

MAP MEAT CUTTER

4MM MEAT CUTTER.....	£30	£24
6MM MEAT CUTTER.....	£30	£24
8MM MEAT CUTTER.....	£30	£24

4MM SPARE BLADE SET
5MM SPARE BLADE SET
6MM SPARE BLADE SET
7MM SPARE BLADE SET
8MM SPARE BLADE SET
10MM SPARE BLADE SET

**£10 EACH OR
ANY 5 FOR £39**

MAP MEAT CUTTER CASE

MAP MEAT CUTTER CASE.....	£15	£12
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CLOTHING

S-TECH JACKET & BIB/W BRACE SET.....	£230	£199
MAP HOODIE (M-XXL).....	£30	£24
MAP JOGGERS (M-XXL).....	£30	£24
MAP CAP.....	£7	
MAP TOWEL.....	£9	

HOOKS TO NYLON

3405 14 - 22.....	Per 10	
3410 14 - 22.....	Per 8 (ALL ROUND)	
3411 16 - 22.....	Per 8 (BIG FISH)	
3530 18 - 24.....	Per 8 (ALL ROUND)	
3530 18 - 24.....	Per 8 (CANAL)	

CLOTHING

GREENLAND POLE JACKET (S-XXXL).....	£140	£126
GREENLAND BIB-N-BRACE (S-XXXL).....	£110	£99
CHALLENGE MICROFIBRE JACKET (S-XXXL).....	£100	£89
CHALLENGE BIB-N-BRACE (S-XXXL).....	£80	£72
FAROE JACKET (S-XXXL).....	£75	£67
FAROE BIB-N-BRACE (S-XXXL).....	£62	£55
FAROE WATERPROOF SET (S-XXXL).....	£55	£49
ICELAND JACKET & TROUSER SET (S-XXXL).....	£200	£179
DESIGNER HOODED JACKET (S-XXXL).....	£50	£45
GREENLAND JACKET (S-XXXL).....	£70	£63
FAROE FLEECE (S-XXXL).....	£34	£30
ICELAND WINTER HOODED (S-XXXL).....	£40	£36
ARGENTINA POLO SHIRT (BLACK) (S-XXXL).....	£19	
ARGENTINA POLO SHIRT (GREEN) (S-XXXL).....	£19	
ARGENTINA POLO SHIRT (NAVY) (S-XXXL).....	£19	
ARGENTINA POLO SHIRT (WHITE) (S-XXXL).....	£19	
BREATHABLE POLO SHIRT (WHITE/GREEN) (S-XXXL).....	£19	
BREATHABLE POLO SHIRT (LIGHT BLUE/NAVY) (S-XXXL).....	£19	
BREATHABLE POLO SHIRT (BLACK/GREEN) (S-XXXL).....	£19	
NECK WARMER / FLEECE HAT.....	£6	
NEOPRENE GLOVES (L & XL).....	£10	
NEOPRENE MITTENS.....	£10	
POLAR FLEECE HAT.....	£8	
SENSAS CAP.....	7	

SENSAS ACCESSORIES

LUXURY HOOKLENGTH BOX (26CM X 19CM).....	£70	£57
LUXURY HOOKLENGTH BOX (38CM X 24CM).....	£100	£81
COMPETITION HOOKLENGTH (26CM X 18CM).....	£35	£29
COMPETITION HOOKLENGTH (38CM X 24CM).....	£50	£41
HOOK WALLET (SMALL).....	£10	
HOOK WALLET (LARGE).....	£14	
LUXURY HOOK TYER.....	£30	£25
EASY LOOP TYER.....	£6	
STYL DISPENSER.....	£8	
1/2 STYL DISPENSER.....	£8	
STYL PUNCHES.....	£5	
SHOT PUNCHES.....	£8	
FLOAT SHOOTING TUBE (SMALL).....	£20	£17
FLOAT SHOOTING TUBE (LARGE).....	£40	£33
FOLDING DOUBLE FOUR LEG ROLLER (27CM).....	£60	£49
FOLDING DOUBLE FOUR LEG ROLLER (50CM).....	£80	£65
FOLDING SINGLE FOUR LEG ROLLER (35CM).....	£40	£33
FOLDING SINGLE FOUR LEG ROLLER (50CM).....	£50	£41
FOUR LEG RIG & ROD ROOST (8 HOLE).....	£40	£33
FOUR LEG RIG & ROD ROOST (12 HOLE).....	£40	£33
GROUNDBAIT WHISK (CIRCULAR).....	£16	
GROUNDBAIT WHISK (FLAT).....	£19	
COMPETITION SHUTTLE/TROLLEY.....	£130	£105
SENSAS GALWAY BROLLY.....	£73	£59
SENSAS BELFAST BROLLY.....	£55	£45

SEATBOXES

760 SEATBOX.....	£449	£325
710 SEATBOX.....	£425	£299
660 SEATBOX.....	£425	£299
MATCH 381.....	£369	£289
MATCH 334.....	£200	£149
MATCH 280.....	£289	£229

SEATBOX ACCESSORIES

COMPETITION SPRAY BAR/POLE SUPPORT.....	£30	£25
DOUBLE SIDED SPRAY BAR/POLE SUPPORT.....	£40	£33
ADJUSTABLE FEEDER ARM (SINGLE).....	£20	£17
ADJUSTABLE FEEDER ARM (DOUBLE).....	£35	£30
ADJUSTABLE FRONT MULTI KEEPNET ARM.....	£30	£26
BROLLY ARM.....	£10	
CROSS ARM.....	£9	
KEEPNET ARM (SMALL).....	£7	
KEEPNET ARM (LARGE).....	£9	
UNIVERSAL ARM (MEDIUM).....	£8	
UNIVERSAL ARM (LARGE).....	£9	
EVA BAR (SINGLE).....	£11	
EVA BAR (DOUBLE).....	£14.50	
90 ACCESSORY ARM EVA (20CM).....	£10	
90 ACCESSORY ARM EVA (40CM).....	£10	
EVA FEEDER REST.....	£8	
EVA ADJUSTABLE FEEDER ARM.....	£6	
WATERPROOF SIDE TRAY (48CM X 67CM).....	£90	£72
WATERPROOF SIDE TRAY (2 BOWL).....	£75	£63
COVERED SQUARE SIDE TRAY.....	£40	£33
FOLDING SIDE TRAY.....	£45	£37
FOLDING SIDE TRAY + TWO LEGS.....	£60	£49
CLUB BAIT STAND.....	£45	£37
PLASTIC SIDE TRAY.....	£20	£17
BOWL AND HOOP (SMALL).....	£30	£25
BOWL AND HOOP (LARGE).....	£15	
BOWL AND HOOP (SQUARE).....	£14	
CONTINENTAL PLATFORM (67CM X 51CM).....	£120	£99
SEATBOX COVER.....	£10	
FISH COUNTER AND LEG ADAPTER.....	£13	
POLE SOCK (12CM).....	£5	
POLE SOCK (17CM).....	£5	
TEE LESS (PAIR 80CM X 120CM).....	£30	£25
TEE LESS (PAIR 120CM X 160CM).....	£40	£33
QUICK RELEASE ATTACHMENT.....	£4	
DELUXE SEAT & DRAWERS.....	£60	£49
TWO FRONT DRAWER UNIT.....	£60	£49
TWO SIDE DRAWER UNIT.....	£70	£57
SHALLOW TRAY UNIT.....	£35	£29
DOUBLE TRAY UNIT.....	£40	£33
STACKING LID.....	£29	£25
SIDE DRAWER UNIT (WOODEN).....	£50	£41
TWO FRONT DRAWER UNIT (WOODEN).....	£60	£49

HOOKS - LOOSE

3405 BARBED 14 - 24.....	Per 10	
3260 BARBED 14 - 24.....	Per 10	
3410 BARBED 10 - 26.....	Per 10	
3530 BARBED 20 - 26.....	Per 10	
3411 BARBED 10 - 26.....	Per 10	
6110 BARBED 14 - 24.....	Per 10	
4530 BARBLESS 16 - 28.....	Per 10	

ALL £2.00 EACH
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ANY 10 FOR £17

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FLOAT RODS

SUPERTEAM 15' MATCH.....	£110	£87
SUPERTEAM 13' MATCH.....	£90	£71
SUPERTEAM 11' PELLET WAGGLER.....	£80	£63
AGILITY MATCH 13'.....	£63	£50
AGILITY POWER MATCH 13'.....	£65	£52
AGILITY EX POWER MATCH 13'.....	£65	£52
AGILITY PELLET WAGGLER 12'.....	£55	£44
SIGMA MATCH 10'.....	£35	£28
SIGMA MATCH 11'.....	£40	£32
SIGMA MATCH 12'.....	£40	£32
OMNI MATCH 10'.....	£20	£17
OMNI MATCH 12'.....	£25	£20

FEEDER RODS

SUPERTEAM FEEDER 10'.....	£80	£63
SUPERTEAM FEEDER 12'.....	£90	£71
AGILITY WAND 9'.....	£60	£48
AGILITY WAND 10'.....	£65	£52
AGILITY SPECIMEN (2LB TC).....	£50	£40
AGILITY BARBEL AVON.....	£65	£52
AGILITY FEEDER 12'.....	£60	£48
AGILITY POWER FEEDER 12'.....	£60	£48
AGILITY POWER FEEDER 13'.....	£65	£52
AGILITY POWER FEEDER 14'.....	£70	£56
AGILITY 4-PIECE EX POWER FEEDER 11'.....	£60	£48
AGILITY 4-PIECE EX POWER FEEDER 12'.....	£65	£52
SIGMA WAND 10'.....	£45	£36
SIGMA FEEDER 8'.....	£35	£28
SIGMA FEEDER 9'.....	£37	£30
SIGMA FEEDER 10'.....	£40	£32
SIGMA FEEDER 11'.....	£43	£34
SIGMA SPECIALIST 10'.....	£30	£24
SIGMA SPECIALIST 11'.....	£33	£26
SIGMA SPECIALIST 12'.....	£35	£28
OMNI FEEDER 10'.....	£23	£20
OMNI FEEDER 12'.....	£25	£21

REELS

SUPERTEAM 35 FD.....	£60	£48
SUPERTEAM 40 FD.....	£60	£48
AGILITY 35 FD.....	£45	£36
AGILITY 40 FD.....	£45	£36
AGILITY 35 RD.....	£45	£36
AGILITY 40 RD.....	£45	£36
SIGMA 30 FD.....	£26	£21
SIGMA 35 FD.....	£27	£22
SIGMA 40 FD.....	£28	£23
SIGMA 30 RD.....	£26	£21
SIGMA 35 RD.....	£27	£22
SIGMA 40 RD.....	£28	£23

NEW ABU 506 MATIC REEL

(3 x spare spool) RRP £85
O/P £59

NEW AGILITY LUGGAGE COLLECTION

NEW AGILITY LUGGAGE COLLECTION		
RIGID 3-ROD HOLD ALL (190CM).....	£65	£52
CONTINENTAL HOLDALL (12 TUBE).....	£35	£28
6 TUBE HOLDALL.....	£35	£28
4 TUBE COMPACT HOLDALL.....	£25	£21
CARRYALL.....	£30	£24
STINK BAG.....	£13	
COOL BAG.....	£16	
BAIT APRON.....	£10	
WAIST APRON.....	£10	





PRESTON INNOVATIONS



PRESTON POLES	
GS ABSOLUTE 14 16M (8 x KITS)	£3000
GS ABSOLUTE 15 16M (10 x KITS)	£3189
GS ABSOLUTE 15 16M (11 x KITS)	£3299
GS 2600 16M (7 x KITS)	£1000
NEW GS 2601 16M (7 x KITS)	£1000
GS 3600 16M (9 x KITS)	£1499
GS 1600 16M (5 x KITS)	£800
NEW GS 1601 16M (5 x KITS)	£800
GS TYSON 14.5M (4 x KITS)	£600
NEW PRO TYPE 260 13M (4 x KITS)	£425
NEW PRO TYPE 360 14.5M (5 x KITS)	£579
NEW PRO TYPE 460 15M (6 x KITS)	£800
NEW PRO TYPE POWER 8.5M (1 x KIT)	£200
NEW PRO TYPE POWER 11M (1 x KIT)	£250
UNIVERSAL PULL KIT	£45
NEW UNIVERSAL ROLLER PULL KIT	£50
NEW GS + GVR ROLLER PULL KIT	£50

CARBONACTIVE ROD RANGE	
MINI SERIES 8" CARP MULTI TIP	£125
MINI SERIES 9" CARP MULTI TIP	£140
MINI SERIES 10" CARP MULTI TIP	£150
MINI SERIES 10" FLOAT (2 PIECE)	£130
MINI F1 12" POWER FLOAT (2 PIECE)	£160
F1 9" MINI FEEDER	£135
COMPETITION LITE FEEDER 12"	£120
COMPETITION MEDIUM FEEDER 12"	£120
COMPETITION MEDIUM/HEAVY FEEDER 13"	£130
COMPETITION HEAVY FEEDER 13"	£130
COMPETITION EXTRA HEAVY FEEDER 14"	£140
COMPETITION PICKER FEEDER 10"	£100
COMPETITION PICKER FEEDER 11"	£110
COMPETITION FLOAT 13"	£110
COMPETITION FLOAT 14"	£120
C SERIES FEEDER 11"	£140
C SERIES FEEDER 12"	£145
C SERIES FLOAT 13"	£150

NEW ABSOLUTE WHIPS	
2M	£27
2.5M	£30
3M	£40
3.5M	£45
4M	£55

SPECIAL OFFER BUY ALL 5 WHIPS FOR ONLY £159.00

NEW DUTCHMASTER ROD RANGE Excellent Method Rods	
DUTCHMASTER 10" FEEDER	£180
DUTCHMASTER 11" FEEDER	£175
DUTCHMASTER 12" FEEDER	£199
DUTCHMASTER 13" 8" (100g) FEEDER	£209
DUTCHMASTER 13" 2" (100g) FEEDER	£219
DUTCHMASTER 14" 2" (100g) FEEDER	£219
DUTCHMASTER 14" 2" (100g) FEEDER	£219
DUTCHMASTER RIVER 14" 2"	£219
DUTCHMASTER METHOD FEEDER 11" 8"	£199
DUTCHMASTER METHOD FEEDER 12" 8"	£209
RIVER HOLLOW TIP 13" 8"	£50
RIVER HOLLOW TIP 14" 2"	£50

KEEPNETS & LANDING NETS/HANDLES	
LATEX COMPETITION KEEPNET 4m	£90
QUICK DRY KEEPNET 10"	£45
QUICK DRY KEEPNET 13"	£48
BLUE CARP KEEPNET 10"	£40
QUICK DRY LANDING NET 18"	£13
HAIR LANDING NET 20"	£16
SHALLOW LATEX LANDING NET 20"	£15
DEEP QUICK DRY LANDING NET 20"	£16
ABSOLUTE MATCH HANDLE 4M	£50
ABSOLUTE CARP HANDLE 2.7M	£50
BLUE EVA NET BAG	£35

PRESTON CLOTHING	
NEW DFI2 JACKET + BIB 'N' BRACE SET (M-XXL)	£140
NEW DFI2 JACKET + BIB 'N' BRACE SET (M-XXL)	£210
NEW DFI2 JACKET + BIB 'N' BRACE SET (M-XXL)	£130
DRI FISH CELSIUS SUIT (M-XXL)	£109
DRI FISH TROUSERS (M-XXL)	£40
DRI FISH BIB 'N' BRACE (M-XXL)	£50
MIDLECELE (M-XXL)	£25
2-PIECE UNDERSUIT (M-XXL)	£25
PRESTON TRACKSUIT TROUSERS (M-XXL)	£25
PRESTON HOODED FLEECE (M-XXL)	£40
PRESTON SOFT SUELL JACKET (M-XXL)	£60
PRESTON WINDPROOF HOODED FLEECE JACKET (M-XXL)	£70
PRESTON TRAPPER HAT	£15
KNITTED HAT	£8
NECK WARMER	£9
PRESTON CAP	£7
PRESTON WINDPROOF HOODED FLEECE (L ONLY) (FJACK12)	£45
POLO SHIRT (NAVY BLUE) (M-XXL)	£17
POLO SHIRT (WHITE) (M-XXL)	£17
DRI FISH 50 JACKET + BIB 'N' BRACE (M + L Only)	£189
QUILTED UNDERSUIT (S, L & XL)	£35
TRACKSUIT JACKET (M-XXL)	£30
PRESTON JOGGERS (BLACK) (M-XXL)	£27
PRESTON JOGGERS (NAVY BLUE) (M-XXL)	£27
CASUAL BLACK HOODIE (M-XXL)	£30
CASUAL ROYAL BLUE HOODIE (M-XXL)	£30
CASUAL NAVY BLUE HOODIE (M-XXL)	£30
CASUAL NAVY BLUE T-SHIRT (M-XXL)	£15
CASUAL BLACK T-SHIRT (M-XXL)	£15
CASUAL WHITE T-SHIRT (M-XXL)	£15
SOFTSHELL THERMAL HAT	£15
BLACK BEANIE HAT	£8
THERMAL SOCKS	£6

PRESTON ON BOX SEATBOXES	
ABSOLUTE STATION	£700
ABSOLUTE COMPACT	£550
SPACE STATION COMPACT	£280
ON BOX BOX	£220
2-WHEEL SPACE SHUTTLE	£100
4-WHEEL SPACE SHUTTLE	£150
ON BOX TROLLEY	£70
OFF BOX ON TROLLEY	£95

PRESTON LUGGAGE	
MONSTER ROD HOLDALL (SMALL)	£70
MONSTER ROD HOLDALL (LARGE)	£90
MONSTER POLE HOLDALL (10 TUBE)	£90
MONSTER POLE DOUBLE HOLDALL	£130
MONSTER 1 + 1 ROD HOLDALL (160cm)	£45
MONSTER 1 + 1 ROD HOLDALL (180cm)	£45
MONSTER 2 + 2 ROD HOLDALL (160cm)	£70
MONSTER 2 + 2 ROD HOLDALL (180cm)	£70
MONSTER TIP TUBE	£11
MONSTER TRIPLE ROD BAG (160cm)	£90
MONSTER TRIPLE ROD BAG (180cm)	£90
MONSTER REEL CASE	£8
MONSTER READY REEL CASE	£10
MONSTER TRIPLE NET BAG	£40
MONSTER HARDBASE CARRIALL	£50
MONSTER BAIT BAG	£33
MONSTER MEGA BAIT BAG	£40
MONSTER FEEDER AND ACCESSORY BAG	£53
MONSTER ROLLER AND ROOST BAG	£40
MONSTER TACKLE AND ACCESSORY BAG	£70
MONSTER EVA BAIT BOWL (5 Litre)	£6
MONSTER EVA BAIT BOWL (5 Litre)	£8
MONSTER EVA BAIT BOWL (12 Litre)	£10
MONSTER EVA NET BAG	£45
MONSTER EVA BAIT AND TACKLE BAG (ZIPPER)	£33
MONSTER EVA ACCESSORY CASE (SMALL)	£27
MONSTER EVA ACCESSORY CASE (MID)	£33
MONSTER EVA ACCESSORY CASE (LARGE)	£11
MONSTER EVA BUCKET AND CORD	£33
MONSTER METHOD BOWL SET (ZIPPER)	£33
COMPETITION 6 TUBE HOLDALL	£44
COMPETITION 8 TUBE HOLDALL	£48
COMPETITION 10 TUBE HOLDALL	£50
COMPETITION 12 TUBE HOLDALL	£50
COMPETITION 45 LITRE CARRIALL	£40
COMPETITION 55 LITRE CARRIALL	£40
COMPETITION STANDARD BAIT BAG	£20
COMPETITION MEGA BAIT BAG	£25
COMPETITION DOUBLE NET BAG	£23
COMPETITION SINGLE NET BAG	£15
COMPETITION SINGLE REEL CASE	£18
COMPETITION DOUBLE REEL CASE	£18
COMPETITION TIP AND BUTT PROTECTOR	£9
COMPETITION EVA NET BAG (BLUE)	£45
HARDBASE HARDBASE CARRIALL	£45
HARDBASE REEL CASE	£7
HARDBASE SINGLE ROD HOLDER (160CM)	£33
HARDBASE SINGLE ROD HOLDER (180CM)	£35

PRESTON PRO HOOKS	
PRESTON PRO-CARP BARBLESS 16, 20 & 22 ONLY	ONLY £1.30 per pack
SPECIMEN PUNCH BARBLESS 16, 18 & 20 ONLY	ONLY £1.30 per pack
WIDE CARP PUNCH BARBLESS 16-20	ONLY £1.30 per pack
MAGNET EXTRA 14-16	ONLY £1.30 per pack
SQUAT 20	ONLY £1.30 per pack
CHOPPED WORM 22 & 24 ONLY PER 10	ONLY £1.30 per pack
MATCH BARBLES 16-24 PER 10	ONLY £1.30 per pack
MATCH 16-24 PER 10	ONLY £1.30 per pack
PRO-CARP BARBED 16 & 22 ONLY	ONLY £1.30 per pack

PRESTON PRO RANGE HOOKS (ALL HOOKS 10 PER PACK)	
PR22 (12s ONLY)	£1.00
PR24 (24s ONLY)	£1.00
PR24 (10 & 12s ONLY)	£1.00
PR24 (14, 20 & 22s ONLY)	£1.00
PR22 (22 & 24s ONLY)	£1.00
PR22 (10-18s ONLY)	£1.00
PR22 (10s-12s ONLY)	£1.00
PR25 (12s ONLY)	£1.00
PR30 (20-26s ONLY)	£1.00
NEW PR22 (22s ONLY)	£1.00
NEW PR24 (14 & 18s ONLY)	£1.00
NEW PR24 (16-24s)	£1.00
NEW PR30 (10-16s)	£1.20
NEW PR30 (10s-12s)	£1.20
NEW PR30 (10s-16s)	£1.20

HOOKS TO NYLON	
METHOD FEEDER HARRIS 4" WITH BAIT BAND	£12.18
METHOD FEEDER HARRIS 4" WITH QUICKSTOP	£12.18
DUTCHMASTER HARRIS 6" WITH QUICKSTOP	£10.18
DUTCHMASTER HARRIS 10" WITH QUICKSTOP	£10.18
DUTCHMASTER HARRIS 10" WITH QUICKSTOP	£10.18
PRO-BARLESS HARRIS 4"	£10.18
PRO-BARLESS HARRIS 15"	£10.18
PRO-BARLESS HARRIS WITH BAIT BANDS 4"	£10.18
PRO-BARLESS HARRIS WITH BAIT BANDS 15"	£10.18

OFF BOX - ON BOX ACCESSORIES	
2-Piece Platform	£190
XS 2 Comp Shallow Add On Unit	£30
XS 2 Comp Shallow Add On Unit	£30
(with Runners)	£35
XS 30mm Add On Unit	£50
XS Pole Seat	£50
XS Shallow Deep Drawer Unit	£35
XS Shallow Deep Drawer Unit	£40
XS Stacking Unit Ltd	£25
XS Lay Extender	£7
19mm Lay Extender	£10
XS 40mm Side Legs (2)	£20
XS Seat Box Cover	£15
Absolute Seat Box Cover	£15
X Series Side Legs (15mm) (2)	£20
Pro Pole Support	£55
Pole Support	£45
Mega Roost Kit	£30
Tripod Roost Kit	£50
6-Section Pole Roost	£12
6-Section Pole Roost	£12
6-Section Pole Roost	£12
6-Section Pole Roost	£12
Pro Roost Kit	£40
Double Ripple Bar (Long)	£18
Double Ripple Bar (Short)	£16
Single Ripple Bar (Long)	£16
Pole Hook (Large)	£14
Pole Hook (Small)	£12
Pole Sock	£7
Ball and Over Rests (2)	£20
Balling In-Arms (2)	£28
EVA Roller (Small)	£7
EVA Roller (Large)	£9
Accessory Tool Bar	£45
Accessory Box	£9
Quick Release Accessory Box	£9
Keypnet Arm (Small)	£10
Keypnet Arm (Large)	£12
Cross Arm (Small)	£12
Cross Arm (Large)	£12
Bankstick (200mm)	£30
Bankstick (500mm)	£30
XL Banksticks (125mm)	£30
XL Banksticks (125mm)	£40
Spacer Bar (Short)	£10
Spacer Bar (Long)	£12
Mega Bait Bracket (Short)	£16
Bait Bracket (Long)	£16
Bait Bracket (Short)	£11
Deluxe Bait Rest (Long)	£12
Deluxe Bait Rest (Short)	£12
Deluxe Bait Rest (Long)	£15
Tube Rod Rest	£40
Free Flow Rod Rest	£40
Flat Feeder Rest	£7
Butt Rest	£3
Mega Side Tray	£47
Monster Side Tray	£90
Bathwater	£13

Double Knuckle Bathwater	£18
Nylon Groundbait Bowl & Hoop (S)	£22
Nylon Groundbait Bowl & Hoop (L)	£22
Small Side Tray	£15
Large Side Tray	£17
Super Side Tray	£20
Side Tray Set	£33
Groundbait Bucket & Bowl Set	£40
Groundbait Round Riddle Only	£9
Groundbait Bowl Set Bowl & Hoop (Large)	£20
Groundbait Bowl Set Bowl & Hoop (Small)	£18
1 Pint Bait Tub	£140
2 Pint Bait Tub	£180
3 Pint Bait Tub With Riddle	£22
Large Bait Tub	£24
Hooklength Box (Small)	£12
Hooklength Box (Large)	£12
All Round Hooklength Feeder Bankstick	£25
Method Hooklength Box	£9
Hooklength Spoon System	£15
Feeder Hooklength System	£20
8 Division Magnetic Hook Box	£4
Multi Accessory Box	£5
4-Compartment Accessory Box	£3
Tackle & Bait Tray	£85
Dutchmaster Feeder Arm	£35
Off Box Rod Support	£10
Method Feeder Rest	£10
Pole Grip	£5
Loop Tye (Small)	£30
Loop Tye (Large)	£30
Onbox XS Lay Levelers	£5
Bloodworm Bait-Tub	£5
Monster Eva Method Bowl Set	£35
Monster Eva Bait Station	£30
Monster Eva Mega Bait Station	£55
Offbox Bait Tray (Shallow)	£10
Offbox Bait Tray (Deep)	£12
Offbox Side Tray Support	£18
Dutchmaster Feeder Bankstick	£25
Fixed Angle Lock	£4
Total Control Pole Rest	£35

POWER LINE	
.05	100z
.06	120z
.07	11b
.08	11b 120z
.09	20z
.10	21b 140z
.11	31b 60z
.12	31b 150z
.13b	120z
.15	51b 140z
.17	61b 120z
.26	121b 50z





















DIRECT MONO CONTROLLED STRETCH	
2lb	3/ab
2 1/2lb	4/ab
3lb	5/ab
7lb	8/ab

NEW COLOURS CARP RIGS	
SILVER SET (3)	£10.50
SILVER LIGHT SET (3)	£10.50
RED SET (2)	£7.00
GOLD SET (2)	£7.00
ORANGE SET (2)	£7.00
BLUE SET (3)	£10.50
PURPLE SET (2)	£7.00
GREEN SET (2)	£7.00
WHITE SET (3)	£10.50
YELLOW SET (2)	£7.00

NEW BRIDACAST BRAID	
.08	8lb
.10	10lb
.12	12lb

PRESTON RANGE OF POLE FLOATS	
TYSON 1 SET 5 £7.50	TYSON 2 SET 5 £4.50
TYSON 3 SET 4 £8.00	TYSON 4 SET 5 £7.50
TYSON 5 SET 4 £8.00	TYSON 6 SET 4 £8.00
TYSON 7 SET 4 £4.50	TYSON 8 SET 4 £4.50
PB CARP 1 SET 3 £6.00	PB CARP 2 SET 2 £4.00
PB CARP 3 SET 4 £8.00	PB CARP 4 SET 4 £8.00

TYSON 1 SET 5 £7.50	TYSON 2 SET 5 £4.50	TYSON 3 SET 4 £8.00	TYSON 4 SET 5 £7.50	TYSON 5 SET 4 £8.00	TYSON 6 SET 4 £8.00
TYSON 7 SET 4 £4.50	TYSON 8 SET 4 £4.50	PB CARP 1 SET 3 £6.00	PB CARP 2 SET 2 £4.00	PB CARP 3 SET 4 £8.00	PB CARP 4 SET 4 £8.00
PB CARP 5 SET 4 £8.00	PB CARP 6 SET 3 £6.00	PB PASTE SET 3 £6.00	CIANTI SET 5 £10.00	EXTREME 1 SET 4 £8.00	EXTREME 2 SET 4 £8.00
DURA EXTREME 1 SET 4 £8.00	DURA EXTREME 2 SET 5 £10.00	DURA EXTREME 3 SET 5 £10.00	DURA EXTREME 4 SET 5 £10.00	DURA EXTREME 5 SET 5 £10.00	DURA EXTREME 6 SET 5 £10.00
DURA EXTREME 7 SET 4 £8.00	DURA EXTREME 8 SET 5 £10.00	GREEN SET 2 £3.00	ORANGE SET 2 £4.50	BLUE SET 3 £4.50	
WHITE SET 3 £4.50	SILVER SET 4 £6.00	GOLD SET 4 £6.00	PB INTER 1 SET 5 £10.00	PB INTER 2 SET 5 £10.00	
PB INTER 3 SET 5 £10.00	PB INTER 4 SET 5 £10.00	PB INTER 5 SET 3 £6.00	PB INTER 6 SET 5 £10.00	PB INTER 7 SET 5 £10.00	PB INTER 8 SET 5 £10.00
DURA LOAT PLUS 1 SET 3 £6.00	DURA LOAT PLUS 2 SET 3 £6.00	DURA LOAT PLUS 3 SET 3 £6.00	DURA LOAT PLUS 4 SET 3 £6.00	DURA LOAT PLUS 5 SET 3 £6.00	DURA LOAT PLUS 6 SET 3 £6.00
DURA LOAT PLUS 7 SET 3 £6.00	DURA LOAT PLUS 8 SET 3 £6.00	LOADED NEST PELLET SET 3 £9.00	LOADED DUMP PELLET SET 3 £9.00	NEST PELLET MAG SET 3 £9.00	

				
DURA CYMRE 1 SET 4 £8.00	DURA CYMRE 2 SET 5 £10.00	GREEN SET 2 £3.00	ORANGE SET 3 £4.50	BLUE £4.50
				
PURPLE SET 1 £1.50	YELLOW SET 4 £6.00	PINK SET 3 £4.50	RED SET 5 £7.00	BLACK £4.50
				
WHITE SET 3 £4.50	SILVER SET 4 £6.00	GOLD SET 4 £6.00	PB INTER 1 SET 5 £10.00	PB INTER 2 SET 5 £
				
PB INTER 3 SET 5 £10.00	PB INTER 4 SET 5 £10.00	PB INTER 7 SET 5 £10.00	PB INTER 8 SET 5 £10.00	PB INTER 9 SET 5 £10.00

DAWA REELS

125m CLOSED FACE.....	£80	£55
1657 DM (AUTO BAIL).....	£100	£68
TDX 3012 (SINGLE HANDLE).....	£295	£199

EXIST 2506.....	£999	£699
EXIST 3012.....	£999	£699
NEW CERATIE 1003.....	£335	£269
NEW CERATIE 2004.....	£335	£269
NEW CERATIE 2500.....	£350	£279
NEW CERATIE 2506 H.....	£350	£279
NEW CERATIE 2508 PE.....	£350	£279
NEW CERATIE 2510 PE-H.....	£350	£279
NEW CERATIE 3000.....	£350	£279
NEW CERATIE 3012 H.....	£360	£289
NEW CERATIE 3012.....	£360	£289
CALDIA 2000A.....	£225	£189
CALDIA 2500A.....	£225	£189
CALDIA 2508A.....	£225	£189
CALDIA 3000A.....	£225	£189
CALDIA 4000A.....	£225	£189
TDX MATCH 2508 (SINGLE).....	£295	£199
TDX MATCH 2508 (DOUBLE).....	£295	£199
TDX MATCH 3012 (SINGLE).....	£295	£199
TDX MATCH 3012 (DOUBLE).....	£295	£199
NEW TDR 2508 (SINGLE).....	£245	£170
NEW TDR 2508 (DOUBLE).....	£245	£170
NEW TDR 3012 (SINGLE).....	£245	£170
NEW TDR 3012 (DOUBLE).....	£245	£170
NEW TDR 4012 (SINGLE).....	£245	£170
NEW THEORY 2500A.....	£169	£109
NEW THEORY 4000A.....	£169	£109
BALLISTIC 3000 SHA.....	£199	£129
THEORY 2500A.....	£169	£109
THEORY 4000A.....	£169	£109
TDM 2508 (SINGLE).....	£150	£89
TDM 2508 (DOUBLE).....	£150	£89
TDM 3012 (SINGLE).....	£150	£89
TDM 3012 (DOUBLE).....	£150	£89

TDM 4012 (SINGLE).....	£150	£89
WHISKER MATCH 2508.....	£110	£64
WHISKER MATCH 3012.....	£110	£64
EXCELER 3000.....	£100	£60
EXCELER 3000.....	£85	£50
HARRIER X MATCH 3053.....	£55	£42
HARRIER X MATCH 3053.....	£55	£42
1657DM (AUTO BAIL).....	£100	£68
125M CLOSED FACE.....	£80	£55
PROCASTER 2500A (FRONT DRAG).....	£65	£47
PROCASTER 3000A (FRONT DRAG).....	£65	£47
MEGAFORCE 2500A (FRONT DRAG).....	£50	£36
MEGAFORCE 3000A (FRONT DRAG).....	£50	£36
MEGAFORCE 4000A (FRONT DRAG).....	£50	£36
MATCHWINNER 2508 A (SINGLE).....	£180	£140
MATCHWINNER 3012 A (SINGLE).....	£180	£140
MATCHWINNER 4012 A (SINGLE).....	£180	£140
MATCHWINNER 2508 A (DOUBLE).....	£180	£140
MATCHWINNER 3012 A (DOUBLE).....	£180	£140
BALLISTIC EX 2500H.....	£190	£159
BALLISTIC EX 3000H.....	£190	£159
BALLISTIC EX 4000H.....	£190	£159
EXCELER 1500A.....	£100	£75
EXCELER 2500A.....	£100	£75
EXCELER 3000A.....	£100	£75
EXCELER 4000A.....	£100	£75
LEGALIS 1500HA.....	£80	£55
LEGALIS 2000HA.....	£80	£55
LEGALIS 2500HA.....	£80	£55
LEGALIS 3000HA.....	£80	£55
LEGALIS 4000HA.....	£80	£55

DAWA ACCESSORIES

TO WEAR SPLASHERS (4-6-12-16-20cm)..... £5.50 EACH..... SET OF 6 £32.00

LINE LUBRICANT..... £1.00

FEEDER REST..... £8.00

SILVER METHOD REST..... £12.00

SLIDE WINCHES & ASSORTED POKES (10) (NO ASSORTED POKES)..... £18.50

ANGLERS HAND TENSICUT..... £4.00

TEAM DAWA HOOK WALLET (MEDIUM)..... £8.00

TEAM DAWA HOOK WALLET (LARGE)..... £10.00

TEAM DAWA POLE CARRY..... £7.00

TEAM DAWA MATCH CARRY..... £7.00

TEAM DAWA POWER CARRY..... £7.50

DAWA POLE ROLLERS

TEAM DAWA POLE ROLLER..... £35

TEAM DAWA ROLLING POLE ROLLER..... £40

DAWA PRO V POLE ROLLER..... £40

DAWA FLAT RUNNER POLE ROLLER (60CM)..... £45

DAWA FLAT RUNNER POLE ROLLER (90CM)..... £50

DAWA FLAT RUNNER POLE ROLLER (120CM)..... £55

DAWA FLAT RUNNER POLE ROLLER (150CM)..... £60

DAWA FLAT RUNNER POLE ROLLER (180CM)..... £65

FLIGHT SPEED ROLLER..... £90

DAWA WILL RAZON DVDS

NAL CARP (POLE) DEEP..... £15.00 EACH

NAL SUGS ON THE POLE (BLOODWORM)..... £15.00 EACH

NAL CARP (POLE) DEEP..... £15.00 EACH

NAL SUGS ON THE POLE (MORMO)..... £15.00 EACH

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DAWA WADERS

STD NEOPRENE CHEST WADERS (6-12)..... £90

LIGHTWEIGHT CHEST WADERS (6-12)..... £45

NEOPRENE HP WADERS (6-12)..... £30

LIGHTWEIGHT HP WADERS (6-12)..... £27

DAWA SEATBOXES AND ACCESSORIES

SEATBOXES

NEW DAWA 50 SEATBOX..... £165

NEW DAWA 150 SEATBOX..... £235

NEW DAWA 300 SEATBOX..... £240

NEW DAWA TOURNAMENT 400 SEATBOX SYSTEM..... £565

NEW DAWA 40 SEATBOX..... £105

NEW DAWA 75 SEATBOX..... £225

NEW DAWA 100 SEATBOX..... £325

ACCESSORIES

TOURNAMENT 100 SEATBOX WHEEL KIT..... £45

NEW D-TACH ACCESSORY ARM (SHORT)..... £6

NEW D-TACH ACCESSORY ARM (MEDIUM)..... £7

NEW D-TACH ACCESSORY ARM (LONG)..... £8

NEW D-TACH KEYPIN ARM..... £5

NEW D-TACH FEEDER ARM..... £14

NEW D-TACH POLE ROOST SET..... £10

NEW D-TACH SPRAY BAR..... £20

DAWA CLOTHING

STAFF GORE-TEX JACKET (RED) (XXL ONLY)..... RRP £360

STAFF GORE-TEX JACKET (RED) (M-XL)..... £295

STAFF GORE-TEX JACKET (BLUE) (XXL ONLY)..... £360

STAFF GORE-TEX JACKET (BLUE) (M-XL)..... £295

STAFF GORE-TEX BIB 'N' BRACE (RED) (XXL ONLY)..... £340

STAFF GORE-TEX BIB 'N' BRACE (RED) (M-XL)..... £295

STAFF GORE-TEX BIB 'N' BRACE (BLUE) (XXL ONLY)..... £340

STAFF GORE-TEX BIB 'N' BRACE (BLUE) (M-XL)..... £295

STAFF GORE-TEX WINSTOPPER SOFTSHELL (RED) (XXL ONLY)..... £240

STAFF GORE-TEX WINSTOPPER SOFTSHELL (RED) (M-XL)..... £210

STAFF GORE-TEX WINSTOPPER SOFTSHELL (BLUE) (XXL ONLY)..... £240

STAFF GORE-TEX WINSTOPPER SOFTSHELL (BLUE) (M-XL)..... £210

STAFF GORE-TEX TROUSER (RED) (XXL ONLY)..... £260

STAFF GORE-TEX TROUSER (RED) (M-XL)..... £230

STAFF GORE-TEX TROUSER (BLUE) (XXL ONLY)..... £260

STAFF GORE-TEX TROUSER (BLUE) (M-XL)..... £230

TOURNAMENT GORE-TEX JACKET (BLACK) (XXL ONLY)..... £350

TOURNAMENT GORE-TEX JACKET (BLACK) (M-XL)..... £275

TOURNAMENT GORE-TEX BIB 'N' BRACE (BLACK) (XXL ONLY)..... £340

TOURNAMENT GORE-TEX BIB 'N' BRACE (BLACK) (M-XL)..... £275

TOURNAMENT GORE-TEX WINSTOPPER SOFT SHELL (BLACK) (XXL ONLY)..... £230

TOURNAMENT GORE-TEX WINSTOPPER SOFT SHELL (BLACK) (M-XL)..... £210

TOURNAMENT GORE-TEX OVERTROUSERS (BLACK) (XXL ONLY)..... £260

TOURNAMENT GORE-TEX OVERTROUSERS (BLACK) (M-XL)..... £230

TOURNAMENT WINSTOPPER TECHNICAL FLEECE (BLUE) (M ONLY)..... £199

NEW DAWA BREATHABLE BIB 'N' BRACE (XL AND XXL ONLY)..... £110

INFINITY WINSTOPPER FLEECE (LARGE ONLY)..... £50

TEAM DAWA LIGHTWEIGHT JACKET (LARGE ONLY)..... £7

TEAM DAWA NECKWARMER..... £20

TEAM DAWA POLO SHIRT (WHITE) (LARGE ONLY)..... £15

TEAM DAWA POLO SHIRT (BLACK) (LARGE ONLY)..... £15

TEAM DAWA POLO SHIRT (RED) (LARGE ONLY)..... £15

NEW DAWA WHITE/BLACK POLO SHIRT (M-XL)..... £20

NEW DAWA BLACK/WHITE POLO SHIRT (M-XL)..... £20

NEW DAWA RED/BLACK POLO SHIRT (M-XL)..... £20

NEW DAWA BLUE/BLACK POLO SHIRT (M-XL)..... £20

TEAM DAWA LONG-SLEEVED T-SHIRT (NAVY/GREY) (M-XL)..... £12

TEAM DAWA ZIPPER HOODED TOP (BLACK) (M-XL)..... £27

TEAM DAWA CAP (BLACK OR BLUE)..... £8

NEW DAWA FLEECE JACKET (BLACK/RED) (M-XL)..... £35

NEW DAWA FLEECE JACKET (BLACK/BLUE) (M-XL)..... £35

NEW DAWA FLEECE WAISTCOAT (BLACK/RED) (M-XL)..... £30

NEW DAWA FLEECE WAISTCOAT (BLACK/BLUE) (M-XL)..... £30

NEW DAWA BEANIE HAT (BLACK)..... £20

NEW TEAM WATERPROOF JACKET (BLACK/RED) (M-XL)..... £150

NEW TEAM WATERPROOF JACKET (BLACK/BLUE) (M-XL)..... £150

NEW TEAM WATERPROOF BIB 'N' BRACE (M-XL)..... £90

NEW BLACK QUILTED JACKET (M-XL)..... £70

NEW FLEECE TROUSERS (M-XL)..... £25

DAWA MATCH FLOAT RODS

NEW TOURNAMENT PRO 13'15'..... £499.00 £420.00

TEAM DAWA 11' PELLET WAGGLER (EX POWER)..... £150.00 £89.00

TORNADO Z 14' POWER FLOAT..... £89.00 £59.00

ARITY MATCH 12' WAGGLER.....	£375	£259
ARITY MATCH 13' WAGGLER.....	£385	£269
ARITY MATCH 13' POWER.....	£395	£272
NEW TOURNAMENT 11' WAGGLER.....	£365	£299
TOURNAMENT 12' WAGGLER (2014).....	£375	£315
TOURNAMENT 13' WAGGLER (2014).....	£425	£350
TOURNAMENT 13'15' WAGGLER.....	£499	£420
TOURNAMENT WAGGLER 14'.....	£450	£380
TOURNAMENT 11' MULTI FEEDER MATCH FEEDER.....	£375	£265
TOURNAMENT 12' MULTI FEEDER MATCH FEEDER.....	£399	£275
TOURNAMENT 2' EXTENSION.....	£60	£42
CONNOISSEUR MATCH 12' WAGGLER.....	£275	£215
THEORY 11' PELLET WAGGLER.....	£150	£89
THEORY 12' PELLET WAGGLER.....	£160	£95
THEORY 13' PELLET WAGGLER.....	£170	£99
NEW TEAM DAWA 10' PELLET WAGGLER.....	£150	£89
NEW TEAM DAWA 11' PELLET WAGGLER.....	£150	£89
NEW TEAM DAWA 12' PELLET WAGGLER.....	£150	£89
TEAM DAWA 10' PELLET WAGGLER (EX POWER).....	£150	£89
TEAM DAWA 11' PELLET WAGGLER (EX POWER).....	£150	£89
TEAM DAWA 12' PELLET WAGGLER (EX POWER).....	£150	£89
TD-SR3 MATCH 12' PELLET POWER WAGGLER.....	£130	£87

TD-SR3 MATCH 13' MEDIUM POWER.....	£130	£87
TD-SR3 MATCH 13' ALLROUND.....	£130	£87
NEW MATCH WINNER MATCH 11'.....	£200	£157
NEW MATCH WINNER MATCH 12'.....	£200	£157
NEW YANK 'N' BANK 13' POWER WAGGLER.....	£130	£89
PROTEUS 13' WAGGLER.....	£65	£45
PROTEUS 14' POWER WAGGLER.....	£70	£49
SWEETPEA 13' WAGGLER.....	£40	£25
TOZM 14' POWER FLOAT.....	£89	£59
TOF 13' POWER FLOAT.....	£125	£79
TOURNAMAX MATCH 13' WAGGLER.....	£75	£49
VERTICE 13' X POWER WAGGLER.....	£55	£37
SENSOR Z MATCH 13' WAGGLER.....	£59	£39
SPECTRON PELLET WAGGLER 11'.....	£240	£189
SPECTRON PELLET WAGGLER 12'.....	£260	£205
SPECTRON WAGGLER 13'.....	£270	£214
SPECTRON POWER WAGGLER 13'.....	£280	£225
SPECTRON WAGGLER 13'15'.....	£320	£255
SPECTRON RIVER CONTROL 17'20'.....	£350	£265
MEGAFORCE MATCH 13' POWER WAGGLER.....	£49	£29
STRIKEFORCE X MATCH 13'.....	£69	£45

DAWA LINES, HOOKS AND READYMADE RIGS

TD REEL LINE (150m)..... £15.00 EACH

2lb, 2lb, 3lb, 4lb, 5lb, 6lb, 8lb, 10lb..... £15.00 EACH

ANY 3 FOR £20.00 - ANY 5 FOR £30.00

NEW MATCHWINNER MONIFOL..... £15.00 EACH

2lb, 2lb, 3lb, 4lb, 5lb, 6lb, 8lb, 10lb..... £15.00 EACH

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Martin Greene gives us a lesson in the art of pinging – a popular method that wins countless matches throughout the year.

The word or term 'pinging' is something that you will hear regularly when walking around any commercial fishery. Pinging is a tactic that has really come to the fore in recent years, as the use of hard pellets has become more and more popular.

It can be a devastating approach but, more importantly, it is a way to catch a few fish no matter where you draw, as it is what can be considered a safe method – an approach that can carefully build up a swim over the course of five hours.

THE APPROACH

Pinging is the term used by anglers for feeding small amounts of pellets regularly by catapult. Because the catapult barely needs to be stretched, the pellets are literally 'pinged' around the float.

Developed at venues such as White Acres, pinging has become a widely used method. It is usually achieved by fishing at pole lengths of 13 metres or more and gives the angler the option to catch both on the bottom and shallow.

Daiwa and Old Ghost-backed Martin Greene is a fine exponent of the art; in fact, the day before this feature he came second in a match using this very tactic. We decided to get on the bank with him to see if we could get to the bottom of this great method.

Pinging is a deadly tactic on today's commercials.



Feeding before you ship out is often a great feeding pattern.



A white hook pellet stands out over the feed.

DISTANCE

"Ideally you want to be fishing at least 13 metres. This seems to be a comfortable distance to fish and feed accurately. Fish are also comfortable feeding this far from the bank and I can always be confident of snaring fish from the start of the match.

"More importantly, I am looking to find a perfectly flat bottom and preferably somewhere with a hard bottom. Here at Alders Farm,

the lakes are spring fed. This means that there is a lack of silt, which makes this method even better.

"It is also important to be able to feed accurately with the catapult. There are some days when firing just two or three pellets is the way to go so you need to be able to do this accurately. So if the wind is in any way tricky, it is best to fish at a comfortable distance and fish well, rather than fish too long and not be able to feed accurately."



Mussel liquid is used to 'skin' the pellets.

THE PRINCIPLE

"Fish are incredibly tuned in to the noise of food hitting the water. There is such competition for food in these lakes that they have to react to the noise before their mates do! This is why the pinging approach works so well. The regular sound of the pellets hitting the water will attract fish from far and wide.

"The way fish feed on hard pellets is another strength of this method. Fish have to pick off hard pellets from the lake bed. They have to dip down and pick up each and every pellet, which means that bites are always very confident on this method.

"I liken this kind of fishing to roach fishing. Much of the action is through the water and pinging for carp is no different. Yes, a large percentage of your bites will be on the deck, but inevitably there will be fish to be caught on the drop."

PELLET CHOICE

"There are three sizes of pellets to consider for pinging, and these are

4mm, 6mm and 8mm. For smaller carp, and throughout winter, I always opt for a 4mm. These are slightly less selective and just create a bit of competition in the swim from fish other than carp.

"Throughout the warmer months, I always use 6mm or 8mm versions. The 6mm is probably the most versatile size but an 8mm is deadly where big carp are concerned. Both of these pellet sizes create a lovely noise to help draw the fish.

"With 6mm and 8mm pellets they can be fed straight out of the bag, as they have the density and weight to sink to the bottom without getting caught in the surface tension. The 4mms, though, can and often do get caught in it. For this reason I give the pellets a 'skin', which just helps them break the surface tension and sink quickly to the bottom.

"To skin the pellets I give them a very brief (I'm talking five seconds) dunk in water and drain them off straightaway. I then add some Old Ghost Mussel Concentrate liquid; this not only gives them a hint of flavour, but also makes the pellets sink that little bit faster."

FEEDING

"This is all about feeding small amounts regularly. Again the feed quantities need to be aligned with the size of the pellet in use. When using 4mm pellets, for instance, you can generally



Perfectly lip hooked, the sign of good feeding.

The action was fantastic.

feed a few more pellets – say 10 to 15 at a time.

“With 6mms, an effective route to go down is to feed four to six pellets at a time and with 8mms just two or three.

“The frequency with which you feed is what needs to be worked out as you fish. For example, today there is a clear pattern to catch effectively. I have worked out that I can feed about 10 4mms before shipping out, then ship out, lay my rig in and wait for a bite. As soon as I strike into a fish, I then feed a similar quantity.

“This seems to be a nice feeding frequency that keeps the fish nicely on the bottom. When the weather is warmer I may up the frequency, but be careful. Unless you are sure that you will catch shallow, don’t commit to a feeding regime to do so. Always feed to catch on the bottom and if they choose to come up, then the fish will tell you.”

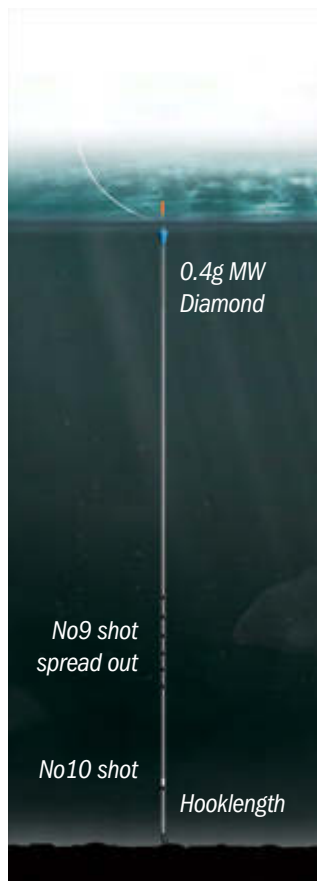
HOOK BAITS

“I will always set two rigs up for the same line. One with a normal hook and the other with a banded hair rig. I will always start on an expander pellet, as it is a safe option to get a few bites. I bring both 4mm and 6mm expanders with me and usually start on a 6mm.

“To be honest, though, I want to catch on a hard banded pellet where possible. It is just a more efficient fish catcher. But when the weather is cold it may not work, so it is worth setting both up.

“One little trick that I use a lot is to try a white 6mm pellet in the band. This has worked countless times for me down the years and today it has been the best hook bait by far.

“I am not entirely sure why but I like to think it is a visibility thing and it probably just catches the eye of a carp quicker than a normal brown pellet.”



RIG CHOICE

“As I mentioned previously, I aim to catch fish both on the bottom and on the drop

and my rigs reflect this; yes they are positive but they feature a strung bulk at half depth and just one dropper below this. This gives the hook bait a nice slow fall, which could pick up the odd fish on the drop. But more importantly, the way in which we are feeding means the fish become used to seeing pellets dropping through the water regularly. This makes it a must to try to replicate that with your hook bait, and this kind of shotting helps that.

“I set up two rigs: the first is my deck rig, which is designed to be ultra-stable in any tow and features a 0.4g MW Diamond. The shotting is as I have mentioned above. This rig features a 0.16mm hooklength and size 16 Gama Pellet hook with a hair-rigged bait band.



“My second rig features a 4x14 DPF17, which is a much slimmer float that offers a touch more sensitivity. This kind of float is better when using expander pellets as bites are rarely as positive as they are with the hard pellets.

“It’s also important to mention that you need to be fishing dead depth. This especially rings true with hard pellets as fishing overdepth will only lead to foul-hooked fish.”

KEEP PINGING!

“I have started off my session today by simply firing 10 pellets into the swim. I never want to get to a situation where there are lots of uneaten pellets on the lake bed, so with this in mind I don’t dump a load of bait in at the start, even though I am expecting to catch a lot of fish. Instead I will build it up by feeding the 10 pellets regularly and see how things progress.

“Alders is an exceptional winter venue and to be fair is unlike many other places; nevertheless, the response takes a while but after about 40 minutes of feeding and catching the odd fish, the real action begins. I begin to catch a carp every cast and I have found the best feeding routine to be to ping a few pellets before I ship out and then feed again as soon as a fish is hooked.

“On other days, however, I will need to feed when the float is in the water and really create some competition in the swim. Be careful with this, though, as becoming too erratic with the feed may lead to foul-hooked fish.

“Today has been an exceptional demonstration in the art of pinging. The feeding has been bang on and I have caught on the bottom all day with minimal foul-hooked fish and missed bites. This is down to gauging the reaction of the fish and then tailoring my feeding to suit.” **mf**

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Sensas Q&A

In the first part of our new Q&A With The Stars series we ask **Alan Scotthorne** for his insightful tips on roach fishing.

MATCH FISHING: What are your favourite roach mix/mixes for rivers and stillwaters?

ALAN SCOTTHORNE: I have settled on two mixes for roach on stillwaters, canals and rivers. I will firstly break down my stillwater mix and explain why I use each ingredient, as this makes sense in my approach to fishing.

Brown crumb is the essential part of the mix, and this is the food content of the groundbait – what better bait is there than breadpunch for roach? Nothing! So, this is my base as I know the fish will eat it. Sensas produces a good-quality brown crumb, but as long as it is fine in texture our normal English version is just the job.

Quantities can vary but I will give you a basic idea. It can be tailored depending on the time of the year and, importantly, the water temperature through the winter months.

Fast becoming my favourite groundbait for roach is Sensas 3000 Canal Original, which is dark brown in colour and very fine, but not oversticky when mixed, so it helps the groundbait to break down quickly.

This is a must as I want the feed open to the fish as soon as possible – roach are aggressive and will not hang around if no feed is available to them on entry.

If I want the groundbait darker for clearer canals I add Sensas 3000 Super Canal Black, again depending on how dark a mix I want to suit the colour, or lack of

Alan believes that brown crumb is essential in roach groundbaits.



colour, in the water.

I used to add to this three pints of black molehill soil to give weight to the mix, which helps with balling in and also cupping as I want the groundbait heavy so it stays where it's put, firmly on the bottom. I have now changed this for Sensas Terre De Riviere as I've found that the mix is more versatile, being lighter in colour, and very heavy, but also the Terre is very fine and seems better for roach. It's more like a

heavy lean than a soil and since I made this change my results have improved, which brings confidence in what I am feeding.

Here is my basic mix, but think about the conditions and add less groundbait or more Terre De Riviere to suit the conditions.

- 2 pints brown crumb
- 1kg Sensas 3000 Canal Original
- ½kg Sensas Canal Black
- 2kg Sensas Terre De Riviere

This mix can also be used on slow-moving rivers, but once the flow increases I change the groundbait for a much stickier, coarser mix to combat the flow.

Big flowing rivers with some colour in the water need a bold approach, especially in summertime, with plenty of particle baits for the fish to feed on, so with this in mind I now select Sensas Gros Gardons as my base mix, but brown crumb still has its role to play in adding the food value to the mix.

If the flow is very strong, with flat floats being necessary to combat the flow, I will add Sensas 3000 River to the mix, but be careful as this is very binding and too much can prevent the groundbait from breaking down.

Adding Terre De Riviere gives the groundbait balls added weight to reach the bottom quickly and again this also helps the balls to break down releasing the loose particle offerings.

Here is my basic river mix, but check on the flow before you mix it up.

- 2 pints brown crumb
- 2kg Sensas 3000 Gros Gardons
- 1kg 3000 Sensas River
- 2kg Sensas Terre De Riviere

MF: How do you mix these groundbaits?

AS: For both of these mixes I would normally add all the ingredients together in a large 25-litre bucket, whisking them with a drill and adding water slowly



until the groundbait is slightly overwettered. After leaving it to stand for 20 minutes so all the particles take on the water, I would then slowly add more water until I was happy with the consistency of the mix.

If you want a less-active mix there is a way to achieve this but it takes some confidence to do and I have messed this up on a couple of occasions before I got it right.

Simply overwet the groundbait by adding too much water at the start; it will look as though you've completely ruined the mix by turning it into a thick sludge.

Leave it for 20 minutes and by this time all the particles will have absorbed the water and will have gone quite hard in the bucket. Rewhisk and you will be surprised how the groundbait comes back to almost perfect.

Approaching it in this way makes sure all the particles are well wetted and there is little to no activity to this mix. This is good when you are fishing for big weights of roach as you can pin them to the bottom where they are easier to catch, and often you will catch bigger stamp fish.

I would never use this groundbait for a dry mix as this would cause the fish to be at all levels and create all sorts of false bites and problems with particles lifting the fish from the bottom.

I have also been experimenting with mixing both of these groundbaits the night before the match I am fishing, with good results. By leaving the groundbait



It is essential to mix your groundbait properly.



Make the balls fit snugly into the pot to prevent the ball spinning through the water column.



Positive rigs are a must for catching roach on the deck.



standing overnight you can achieve a very inert mix, but I would only do this in winter as warm groundbait does go sour, which is not what you want.

MF: How do you feed these groundbaits?

AS: When roach are active

there is nothing better than throwing groundbait; the noise attracts the fish straightaway so you can catch from the off.

But there are times when cupping, or potting, is miles better. When you are fishing a swim with a sloping bottom, by balling it is possible to have bait at all different levels of the slope.

Cupping is more accurate and, unless you can throw balls with precision, stick to potting in this situation.

You can still create noise by cupping from a height but be aware that a ball spinning from a cup can move

some considerable distance from the point of entry. This is difficult to stop, but making the ball the full size of a Drennan 250ml pot and wedging it in can help to stop it spinning.

If you are faced with a peg having a flat bottom, a nice way to fish is to introduce bait by hand and then cup in some balls with extra bait to produce a killing area in the swim over the top.

This can also make the bait last longer, as this tight area is only accessible to a few fish at a time instead of a big area of open bait produced by just balling in.

MF: What rigs will you use?

AS: When fishing over groundbait I keep things pretty simple when it comes to rigs.

An olivette rig with two or three droppers below gets you down to the fish quickly. I may be a little old-fashioned as I still prefer an olivette to a bulk of shots, but the main thing is to be positive – there is no room for strung-out rigs when catching roach on the bottom over groundbait.

An inverted teardrop float is a good start on stillwaters, and for rivers something more bulbous, with a slightly rounder body. **mf**



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The pellet feeder is the ideal winter approach.

We all know that in the winter months, being careful with your feed is a must. The Method feeder is still a deadly fish catcher but it can become all too easy to overfeed your swim. The baits that are used nowadays are very powerful and there is simply no need to feed lots of bait. In fact, feeding large amounts of bait can be the kiss of death.

What you still need, though, is the accuracy and hooking potential of the Method, with a way of regulating your feed. The pellet feeder is the ideal option. A small Guru Pellet Feeder holds a perfect amount of feed and is the ideal Method alternative throughout winter.

of hook bait could get you that extra bite or two.

Hard pellets are without doubt the mainstay of pellet-feeder fishing. They are durable and user-friendly but, more importantly, the fish love them. I will always try to catch on a hard pellet and opt for both 4mm and 6mm versions.

Bream and skimmers are reliable targets in the cold.

Various hook baits are tried.

The new Super MWG hook is simply superb.

Top Tip

WHAT PELLETS?

Not surprisingly, pellets are the number-one feed for the pellet feeder. Some anglers put other baits through the feeder, and with some success I might add, but for me pellets are best.

I like to use a mixture of two types of pellets; this changes how the pellets break down and also produces a lovely fish-attracting mix. The first pellets are 2mm Dynamite XLs. Once soaked these are quite sticky and bind together brilliantly. The addition of 1mm Swim Stim pellets ensures that the mix breaks down quickly. I can squeeze the pellets into the feeder fairly firmly, but because of the mix of the two types they will 'pour' out of the front of the feeder.

HOOK BAITS

What hook bait to use is something of a personal thing. I carry plenty of options at this time of the year, when every bite is a victory, as a simple change

Bright hook baits can be a massive edge.

Soft expanders are also well worth a try and are particularly effective for skimmers and bream. When using them you need a quality pellet – such as the Dynamite Pro-X. These are very dense and will not split

when mounted on a hair rig. A single 6mm expander is a banker, while two 4mms are also worth a try.

When the weather goes really cold there is one hook bait that I wouldn't be without and that is punched bread. I use medium-sliced Warburton's and compress the slices by sitting on them. It is then a case of punching two or three 8mm discs out and mounting them on a hair rig.

These are secured in place by virtue of a Guru Speed Stop. This compacted piece of bread will stay on the hair well, but importantly it takes on water and softens up. This can easily be slurped up by a lethargic winter fish.

Just like when Method-feeder fishing, a bright, hi-viz boilie can be a fantastic fish catcher. I like to use pink boilies; these are actually white



HOW TO LOAD THE FEEDER



1 Start by punching out three discs of compressed bread.



4 Press enough pellets into the feeder to fill it, and compress.



2 Carefully push out the three pieces...



5 Pop the hook bait, in this case bread, on top.



3 ... and, using a Speed Stop, mount the bread on to the hair.



6 Add a final layer of pellets and give the whole thing a squeeze.



This skimmer couldn't resist double dead maggot.

8mm boilies that I have soaked in Kiana Goo Squid Supreme. This potent liquid eats into the boilies and dyes them throughout. The spec carp anglers swear by these hook baits and I must say that they have been very reliable for me.

The last hook bait that I consider is double dead maggot. This bait will always get you a bite, and skimmers and bream in particular will readily accept dead maggots.

TACKLE CHOICES

The pellet feeder requires simple and reliable tackle. The feeder itself is a 24g Guru Pellet Feeder and I use the X-Safe elastic system where allowed as I believe an elasticated feeder is a big advantage. The main line on the reel is 6lb Drag Line – a no-fuss mono that will not let you down.

Scaling down your hooklengths will be a big help in the cold weather. In summer I may use 0.19mm but now I will use 0.15mm; I'm sure the extra suppleness gets you more bites in the long run. To this is tied one of the new Super MWG hooks. This is an updated version of the hugely popular MWG pattern, but it has been produced using the same technology as the famous QM1 pattern. This produces a hook that is superb quality and absolutely razor sharp!

The beauty of this system is that I can have several feeders ready to go on my side tray, with different hooklengths and different hook baits. Each hooklength will have a different mounting device so some will feature bait bands, some bayonets or Speed Stops and

some just bare hooks. This means that no matter what hook bait I choose, I will always be able to present it perfectly.

My rod and reel combo is my ever-faithful Daiwa Tournament Pro 10/11 with a Daiwa Caldia 3000 reel – the ideal combination for short to mid-range commercial work.

THE GROUND BAIT TRICK

It may be called the pellet feeder but there is also a time and a place for packing it with groundbait. Today is brutally cold and skimmers seem to be the only willing feeders. I know from past experience that groundbait and dead maggots are brilliant for skimmers so it is well worth a try.

I have fished for well over two hours with pellets in the feeder and things



Adam adds 1mm pellets to his standard 2mm.



Staying warm will really help in the winter.

STAY WARM, STAY FOCUSED

Winter fishing can be a waiting game. Bites

may come in little runs throughout the day and, unless you draw on a pile of fish, you are going to have to be patient. This is where kitting yourself

out with the right clothing is an absolute must. Some decent waterproofs and a good fleece or windstopper will keep you warm, while a woolly hat will prevent heat loss.

A flask of tea or soup can make your day that bit more bearable and I wouldn't go fishing without one! Both these points may seem obvious but it is surprising how many people don't give this area enough thought – it can be just as

important as the fishing itself!

have started to happen. However, a quick change to the groundbait and maggot combo has seen me get an instant bite from a quality fish.

Sometimes, something different can get you a bite and while it is not the answer to a massive bag of fish, on a tricky winter's day this little trick may help you on your way.

The groundbait I use in the feeder is Dynamite Swim Stim Milled Expanders. This is a super-fine mix that works well in winter. Because it is made from ground expander pellets, it is far less potent than a typical fishmeal groundbait – ideal for cold conditions.

KEEP THE FAITH

As I have already mentioned, bites could be at a premium and you may go two or three hours

without a sign – especially on big waters such as Barston Lakes, where we are today. This is when you need to realise that the setup and bait choices are perfect and it is simply a case of waiting for the fish to feed.

Today the first two hours have seen me with very little to show for my efforts, and during a match I may be tempted to switch to the pole, but I just have this gut feeling that by remaining confident it is going to come good.

By ringing the changes with my hook baits, I have started to catch skimmers well and catch them steadily until the end of the session. It is obvious, though, that I can't just keep chucking with the same old hook bait; switching them around is definitely getting me extra bites.

The two standouts today are maggots and bread. I think this is because they are the most palatable baits on my side tray.

This final spurt of action sees me put together a tidy winter skimmer net approaching the 30lb mark. Given how hard the fishing has been I am over the moon with such a result and it just shows how effective the pellet feeder can be. **mf**

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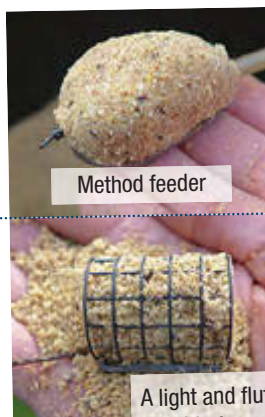
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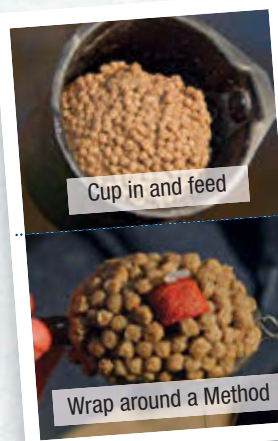
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